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1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosures (1) through (12) are submitted.
2. Downgraded to unclassified upon removal of enclosures (1) through (12).


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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

Designation: Third Tank Battalion, FMF, Third Marine Division
(Rein), FMF

Location:

Headquarters, 3d Tank Battalion	DaNang AT 989708
A Company, 3d Tank Battalion	DaNang AT 946762
B Company, 3d Tank Battalion	DaNang AT 067719
C Company, 3d Tank Battalion	Phu Bai YD 879152

Period Covered by Report: 1-31 May 1966

Commanding Officer: Lieutenant Colonel Milton L. RAPHAEL

Subordinate Officers:

H&S Company, 3d Tank Battalion	Captain Arthur E. LEE
A Company, 3d Tank Battalion	Captain Joseph J. SUCHA Jr.
B Company, 3d Tank Battalion	Captain Everett L. TUNGET
C Company, 3d Tank Battalion	Major Eldon L. ERICKSON (1-27 May)
	Captain John H. GARY III (28-31 May)

Principal Staff Officers:

Battalion Executive Officer	Major James G. DOSS
Battalion Adjutant/S-1/Legal O	Captain Loren A. BRANDT
Battalion S-2	1st Lt George D. ROSE
Battalion S-3	Major Allan W. LAMB
Battalion S-4	Major Franklin W. COATES
Battalion CAO	1st Lt Dan P. BECKNER

Average Monthly Strength:

Marine Officers	35
Marine Enlisted	625
Navy Officers	1
Navy Enlisted	15

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MAY 1966 SUMMARY
Personnel and Administration

The Battalion's personnel posture is acceptable in relation to the strength authorized by the M series T/O. The Battalion's chargeable strength as of 31 May 1966 was 41 Marine Officers and 615 Marine Enlisted, together with 1 Naval Officer and 15 Naval Enlisted. The officer figures include 5 new temporary Second Lieutenants promoted from Staff Non-Commissioned Officer on 27 May 1966.

The Battalion received one USMC Officer (Captain 1802) on 60 days TAD from Marine Barracks, Atsugi, Japan. The only replacements received were 11 USMC enlisted. While the Battalion personnel posture remains acceptable, the unexpected loss of 4 USMC Officers and 44 USMC enlisted during May, and rotation of personnel during June (3 Officers and 50 enlisted) will have a decided effect on our ability to perform unless timely replacements are programmed into the Battalion. Personnel shortages during June without replacements: 0100, 2100, 3500. Officers are present in the required numbers but not in Rank and MOS. As of 2 June the Battalion will be short 1 Major 1802, 1 Captain 2502, and 1 Lieutenant 0130 which are considered critical.

It should be noted that the lack of timely information on replacements renders difficult the administration of an effective program of personnel management necessary to provide continuity to the Battalion. Personnel as replacements seem to arrive with little to no advance information thereby making it difficult to program replacements of personnel except on a day to day basis.

Of significance for advance planning is the fact that both supply Officers will rotate during the month of October. A replacement for one if not both should be on board at least during the month of September to furnish needed continuity.

Four breaches of discipline have occurred which resulted in Battalion Office Hours. No disciplinary problems arose during this period requiring judicial punishment.

Morale continues to be excellent. R&R trips continue to be a major factor in maintaining morale. Swim call at China Beach is looked forward to by all hands and is a definite morale booster. While the absence of liberty is accepted by all hands, its resumption would be welcome as a break in the routine and an opportunity to "Get Away" for a few hours.

The Battalion's program to voluntarily extend personnel overseas continues to have good results. Ten requests were submitted during May making the total since arrival in RVN 87.

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During the month of May 1966 the 3d Tank Battalion experienced relatively the same employment of anti-tank mines which has prevailed for the last eleven (11) months except for the following change in tactics:

1. The amount of explosives used has increased from thirty to sixty pounds of explosives to an equivalent of sixty to one hundred pounds of explosives, according to engineer estimates.
2. A non-metallic substance is being used to contain the explosive charge in order to avoid detection by mine sweeping team
3. One artillery round, 155mm, was used in conjunction with a trip wire detonating device. The artillery round was positioned off of the trail so as to strike the tank on the side when tripped.

The first eighteen days of May passed without a mining incident occurring. On 19 May one anti-tank mine was detonated and no other detonations occurred until the last of May. A total of four mines were detonated from 30 May to 2 June.

The following is chronological listing of mine incidents involving tanks, M48A3.

1. On 19 May a tank detonated a mine south of Da Nang at coordinates (BT026639). The mine consisted of approximately seventy-five (75) pounds of T.N.T. and was electrically detonated. Damage to the tank was moderate with no Marine Corps casualties.
2. On 30 May a tank detonated a mine south of Da Nang at coordinates (AT981624). The mine consisted of approximately 80-100 pounds of explosives and was detonated by a pressure type device. Damage to the tank was moderate with no Marine Corps casualties.
3. On 31 May a tank detonated a mine north-west of Hue at coordinates (YD524308). The mine was a 155mm artillery round which was mechanically detonated. Damage to the tank was extensive with no Marine Corps casualties.
4. On 31 May a tank detonated a mine south of Da Nang at coordinates (BT007622). The mine was an unknown type anti-personne mine with a trip wire detonating device. There was no damage to the tank, however, there were two Marines slightly wounded.

On the morning of 20 May at 0450H while participating in operations in the Co Bi Than Than area at coordinates (YD525265) an estimated Viet Cong Company attacked a section of two tanks and one infantry platoon. The Viet Cong broke contact at 0600H after attempting to destroy the Marine Corps forces.

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1. In this attack, Viet Cong tactics were similar to previous engagements except for two significant factors:

a. Immediately following the initial preparation firing of 60mm mortars, the Viet Cong illuminated extensively during the assault.

b. There was extensive usage of anti-tank weapons from very close range. Weapons used were the RPG-2 anti-tank rocket and the 57mm recoilless rifles.

2. The two tanks incurred seven penetrations from the RPG-2 rockets fired from a maximum range of fifty meters. After the action, eleven Viet Cong bodies, nine unexpended 82mm projectiles, and twenty expended 57mm recoilless rifle casings were found on the battlefield within twenty to fifty meters of the tank positions.

In conclusion it should be noted that the M48A3 tank has withstood the assault of these anti-tank weapons and explosive devices to the extent of always being capable of performing offensive fire after the action.

The Viet Cong is attempting to develop a tactic of assaulting our tanks with weapons that are highly mobile and destructive. They are further attempting to develop a land mine which takes advantage of the inherent drawbacks of mine detection devices.

An example of this was a twenty-five (25) pound explosive charge in a wooden box which was discovered because of the wire leading to the device at coordinates (AT941663). This device had rocks, glass, and debris randomly placed within the charge in order to break up the density of the explosives. This possibly was done to combat the density detection devices used by engineers. The only metal parts to this charge were the "dynamite" cap and the wire leads, both of which are very difficult to detect at certain depths by the metal detecting device.

Mining incidents throughout the past few months indicate an increase in the Viet Cong mine offensive. The enemy may soon realize the capabilities of area ambushing with the heavy vehicular mines, or of waiting until recovery efforts are started and ambushing the maintenance vehicles and crews.

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CONFIDENTIALTANK COMBAT OPERATION

During the month of May 1966, significant tank activity took place in both the DaNang and Phu Bai TAOR'S. Tank action accounted for 79 VC KIA (BC), 36 KIA (POSS), 7 VC WIA, 33 WIA (POSS), 9 VCS captured and 2 VC captured. Forty five buildings were destroyed along with 17 dikes, 300 meters of trench line, 10 man traps and two 57mm recoilless rifles. Tanks supported infantry on 23 search and destroy/search and clear missions and 15 patrols in the DaNang and Phu Bai TAORS.

During the month, 352 rounds of 90mm, 1470 rounds of 50 caliber, 12,850 rounds of 30 caliber were expended on combat operations by the three tank companies of the Battalion. All 90mm ammunition was fired on direct fire missions with the exception of 42 rounds. On four occasions, the M-67 flame tank was employed in support of combat operations. The indirect fire mission from Hill 55 in the DaNang TAOR was discontinued due to the artillery displacement forward to cover the areas previously covered only by tank fire and air.

Company "A" (Rein) continued to occupy key strong point positions in the 3d Marines TAOR and in the 1st Battalion, 9th Marines TAOR.

On 21 May, 1st platoon tanks from Company "A", while in position on Hill 22 (AT 954665) with elements of Company "C", 1st Battalion, 9th Marines, were called to reinforce a patrol that had become engaged with an estimated VC platoon at (AT 954655). The tanks and an infantry squad departed Hill 22 in a South-easterly direction to the position of the engaged squad. A helo-lifted squad reaction force ("Sparrow Hawk") was ordered and it landed at (AT 947637) and advanced in a Northernly direction. Two 57mm recoilless rifles, located in the vicinity of (AT 957650) engaged the tanks and were subsequently destroyed by tank fire. Fire from the 57mm recoilless rifles caused minor damage to the tanks and wounded the platoon leader and one crewman. Two tanks from the 3d Platoon, Company "A", moved overland in a Northwesterly direction with elements of Company "A", 1st Battalion, 9th Marines who were mounted in LVT'S. This force moved from a position on Hill 55 in the vicinity of (AT 970620) to engage the same VC force in the vicinity of (AT 953645). As a result of this action, 52 VC KIA (BC) were credited to tank action. (See enclosure (12) for a diagram of the action).

The use of a two pronged tank-infantry attack to encircle and destroy an enemy is not new by any means but this case is one of the few reported where it has been employed in RVN. Its usefulness and effectiveness is borne out by the toll of casualties inflicted on the VC.

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Company "B" (Rein)

On 13 May, 3d platoon tanks of Company "B" were employed with elements of 2d Battalion, 9th Marines as a reaction force to assist an infantry platoon that was engaged with an estimated force of 250 VC. The tanks mounted a platoon of infantry in the vicinity of (BT 015635) and moved South to engage the VC force located in Grid Square (BT 0161). When the tanks and infantry appeared, the VC attempted to break contact and fled across the Song La Tho River in the vicinity of (BT 003609). The VC were pursued by fire from the tanks to the limit of observation. Tanks provided supporting fire as the infantry pursued the VC across the river. Initial reports credited tanks with 5 VC KIA (BC), subsequent reports credited tanks with an additional 4 VC KIA (BC) for a total of 9 during the encounter.

At night on 16 May, 1st platoon tanks of Company "B", while in night defensive positions, observed five VC in a boat at (BT 100644). VC were detected with the aid of the tank mounted infra-red searchlight and were taken under fire. As a result of this action 4 VC KIA (BC) were credited to tank fire.

Company "C" (Rein)

1 May-conducted extensive route and bridge reconnaissance of Route # 1 North of Phu Bai to a point 8 miles North of the City of Hue. A request for an LCU Ferry to cross the Song Huang was submitted to the Commanding General, 3d Marine Division. A request for a Class 60 Raft (Ferry) to cross the Song Cua Hua was submitted to the Commanding General, 1st Infantry Division, ARVN. Received a warning order to provide a Company (-) (Rein) in direct support of 1/1 during Operation Cherokee in Co Bi Thanh Tan Area, Northwest of Hue.

5 May-provided direct support to 1/1 on Operation Cherokee. No enemy contact, all civilians were evacuated from the zone of action.

6 May-continued support of 1/1 in deliberate search and destroy with Companies "A" and "C" of 1/1. No enemy contact. Collected and evacuated approximately 30 tons of rice.

7 May-Operation Cherokee terminated. Mission changed to direct support of 1/4 for further operations in the Co Bi Thanh Tan Area. At this time, trafficability throughout the Co Bi Thanh Tan Area was excellent.

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8 May-A heavy section of the 3d platoon conducted a search and destroy operation with elements of 1/4. A section of the 2d platoon conducted a reconnaissance in force with elements of "C" 1/4 to an area 2000 meters South of the LSA. No contact. Heavy rain for three days did not reduce trafficability, but fording operations became more difficult.

9 May-3d platoon conducted a search and clear mission from vicinity of 1/4 CP to Song Bo. 1 VC KIA, 2 VC captured.

10-11-12 May-Company supported elements of 1/4 in conduct of 6 platoon size search and destroy missions, 3 squad size reconnaissance patrols and 1 engineer squad demolition mission to destroy remains of ONTOS which hit an Anti-Tank Mine on 5 May. Captured 7 VCS.

13-14 May-Company "C" (-) with "A" 1/4 attached, conducted search and destroy operation South of Song Ho Westerly from Song Bo. Collected approximately 40 tons of rice. Headquarters and flame section conducted a patrol with elements of "D" 1/4, no contact.

15 May-Company "C" (-)(Rein) with a platoon of ONTOS and Companies "A" and "C" of 1/4 attached with the tank company commander in command, occupied blocking positions in Co Bi Thanh Tan Area and conducted a screening operation to protect civilians allowed to return to the valley for collection of personal effects. Approximately 20 tons of rice collected, no enemy contact. Flame section conducted a patrol with elements of "D" 1/4. No contact.

16 May-2d platoon conducted a search and destroy mission with "A" 1/4. Apprehended 1 VCS.

17 May-Elements of Headquarters section with flame section and 3d platoon, Company "D" of 1/4 deployed against approximately 80 VC in vicinity of (YD 520300). VC attempted to flee and were pursued by tank fire with estimated 3 VC KIA (POSS), 3 VC WIA (POSS). Expended 3 rounds of 90mm, 1500 rounds of caliber 30.

18 May-At approximately 0230, headquarters and flame section operating with "D" 1/4 received 50 rounds of 81mm mortar fire during which time an unknown number of VC attempted to infiltrate their positions. VC casualties unknown, no casualties to tank personnel. One tank slightly damaged by shrapnel, repaired immediately. Unseasonably heavy rains inundated the valley which reduced trafficability except in the rice paddies. No major problems in trafficability but selected routes had to be utilized.

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19 May-Company "C" (-) (Rein) commenced move from (YD 572847) with 1/4 to LSA at (YD 546325). One ONTOS from the platoon attached to Company "C" sheared a sprocket. Tanks attempting to tow the disabled ONTOS became mired. C 1/4 was attached to Company "C". Moved section of 3D platoon tanks and one platoon of C 1/4 to position (YD 534265). The remaining tanks of Company "C", the platoon of ONTOS and "C" (-) 1/4 set up defensive positions at (YD 545266).

20 May-At 0450 VC initiated mortar attacks on both defensive positions located at (YD 525264) and (YD 545266). The mortar attack lasted about twenty minutes with no casualties at Company "C" position. The VC followed the mortar attack at platoon position (YD 525264) ~~and (YD 545266)~~ with an infantry assault by an estimated VC company supported by 81mm and 60mm mortars, 57mm recoilless rifles and numerous RPG-2 Anti-tank assault weapons. Intense fire was delivered on the attacking VC by the section of tanks, infantry platoon, and artillery, which was called on the VC assault position and avenues of escape, resulting in 11 VC KIA (BC), estimated 30 VC KIA (POSS) and an estimated 30 VC WIA (POSS). The tank section sustained 7 penetrations from RPG-2 Rockets but continued in action. Friendly casualties for the tank section were 1 KIA-4WIA (one later died of wounds). The infantry platoon and attached engineers sustained 3 KIA and 8 WIA. Enemy casualty estimate is based on a large volume of blood, gore, and bandages and equipment found in assault position. Captured equipment included 9 RPG-2 Anti-Tank Rockets, 1 Light Machine Gun, 3 automatic sub-machine guns, 1 rifle, 12 CHICOM hand grenades, several blocks of TNT with detonators and fuze lighters and portions of clothing, individual equipment and medical supplies abandoned over a large area. Action terminated at 0600. The remainder of Company "C", 1st Battalion, 4th Marines was dispatched to reinforce the attacked position. Company "A", 1st Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment was helicopter lifted to Company "C", 3d Tank Battalion position. The tank force consisted at this time of Company "C", 3d Tank Battalion with Companies "A" and "C", 1st Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment, a platoon of Company "B", 3d Anti-Tank Battalion and a platoon of Company "B" 3d Engineer Battalion attached. The Task Force deployed with Company "C", 1st Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment and a section of tanks at (YD525265) and remainder of force located at (YD545266). Due to the unseasonably heavy rain for the previous four days, tanks encountered extreme difficulty in moving. A contact team from FLSU TWO, Phu Bai, was helicopter lifted into area with parts to repair the disabled ONTOS. All tracked vehicles were freed and defensive positions were occupied in the same area.

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21 May: Due to continued rainfall, forward progress of tracked vehicles was limited to approximately 400 meters. At the request of the Task Force Commander, the necessary dunnage and wire cable to extricate the mired vehicles was provided. Company "C", 1st Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment, with a section of tanks killed 2 VC attempting to infiltrate their defensive position at (YD525265)

22-24 May: A major recovery project to move tracked vehicles to the main road in Thanh Tan valley developed. The water table had risen to within 10 inches of the surface of the ground resulting in complete lack of tank supporting surface except for well drained and well packed roads. Extensive stretches of corduroy roads were built by the tank crews, the supporting engineer platoon, ONTOS crewman and infantrymen, to move tanks to the road while numerous fords were prepared with corduroy approaches and rip-rap bottoms. A total of ninety-eight 10" X 10" timbers and three hundred twelve 3" X 12" planks were used. Four pieces of 300' cable were necessary for use when the vehicles were mired. Although a slow arduous process evolved, all units emerged from the valley at 241300H at the CP of 1st Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment located at (YD546325) fully capable of sustained combat. All units returned to control of parent units at this time.

26 May: Company "C" was ordered to a direct support mission of 2d Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment vice 1st Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment.

On 14 May due to the worsening political situation in the city of Da Nang, the 3d Tank Battalion was directed to form a mechanized task group and be prepared to enter the city of Da Nang to protect U. S. personnel and property. On receipt of CG 3dMarDiv Msg 142315Z May 1966, Task Group Romeo was formed which consisted of the following major elements: 12 Tanks, 5 Ontos, 20 LVT's, 2 Provisional companies of Infantry. The Tank Battalion Commander was named Task Group Commander. This task group was organized into three mechanized teams for the deployment into the city of Da Nang. 3d Tank Battalion Operation Order 2-66 was prepared and forces stood ready to execute. The operation order was partially implemented when one mechanized team was deployed to 3d Shore Party Battalion CP where it awaited orders for further deployment. Task group elements were also employed to strategic blocking locations external to the City of Da Nang. These positions were the bridge linking Da Nang and Da Nang East at (BT048763), the Nam O bridge area at (AT930840) and the road junction at (AT978769). Details for the operation are contained in 3d Tank Battalion Operation Order 2-66, Enclosure 12. On 25 May 1966 Task Group Romeo was ordered to stand down from alert status.

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During May the following H&I and direct fire missions were fired by tanks of the 3d Tank Battalion.

<u>MISSION</u>	<u>SUPPORTING</u>	<u>ROUNDS EXPENDED</u>
OBSERVED -31	MAF-37	90MM HE-256
H&I -6		90MM WP-76
		CANNISTER-20

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CONFIDENTIALSPECIAL OPERATIONS

During this reporting period 3d Tank Battalion continued to commit Headquarters personnel organized into provisional infantry units to provide maximum support to elements of the 3d Marine Division.

A reinforced squad continued to be provided as part of a composite platoon which participated in the Da Nang AB defense. The platoon position is adjacent to the MCB-6 compound in Da Nang East.

In the conduct of defense of the 9th Marines Rear Area Defense Zone, 3d Tank Battalion continued aggressive local patrolling and establishing frequent night ambushes.

The provisional infantry squad that previously was assigned to support PF in the defense of the Phong Bao School and the Hoa Tho village office continued to be provided during the month of May.

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TRAINING

During May the 3d Tank Battalion continued to conduct training for individuals and units between operational commitments.

All companies of this Battalion conducted troop orientation and indoctrination required by current directives that stress the mission of US Forces in RVN and information concerning Vietnamese customs and religions.

The Hoa Cam Regional Forces Training Center ranges were utilized on a bi-weekly basis by personnel joining this Battalion for the purpose of obtaining weapons zero. Headquarters personnel also used the range facilities for FAM firing of the M-14, M-14 modified the 45 caliber pistol and the M-79 grenade launcher.

Continued emphasis has been placed on training all personnel of the Battalion in the use of riot control agents, individual protective masks, and riot control measures. First aid and self aid subjects were also stressed.

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CONFIDENTIALLOGISTICS1. General

a. The period covered by this report is from 1-31 May 1966.

b. During the month of May the overall effectiveness of the Command's Logistic Support has been good, the exception being the nonavailability and extremely slow supply action on Class II tank spare parts. This problem area is covered in detail in paragraph 2a(2) below.

c. The main Logistic efforts during this period were as follows:

(1) A continued effort to procure critically required tank spare parts.

(2) A limited technical inspection by 3d FSR ordnance team of all the tanks nominated for the FY66 R&E Program.

(3) A detailed reconciliation of requisitions with FLSG and 3d FSR.

(4) Continued development of the cantonment.

2. Supply

a. Procurement, availability, and distribution of supply.

(1) The availability and distribution of Class I, III, IV, and V supplies is excellent.

(2) The availability and distribution of Class II tank spare parts has improved, however it is still unsatisfactory. The lead time involved in receiving repair parts, particularly heavy & bulky items, is excessive. The procurement time in obtaining non-supply items (and obsolete supply items) is extremely long. The only factor causing tank deadlines of more than 5 days is the lack of repair parts. Since July 1965 there have been 47 tank deadlines of a period of 15 days or more. This figure is compiled from the 45 tanks in the Da Nang area only.

(3) The percent of FY66 documents completed as of 31 May 1966 is as follows, (documents which are less than 30 days old are not considered):

	<u>Pri 02</u>	<u>Pri 05</u>	<u>Pri 12</u>	<u>Pri 17</u>
Documents	354	1300	5486	1171
Completed	227	826	2155	518
Fill Rate	64.2	63.5	39.4	44.2

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(4) A random selection of outstanding requisitions for ordnance items is as follows:

<u>DOC No.</u>	<u>DDD</u>	<u>PRI</u>	<u>NOMENCLATURE</u>
00758	5208	17	Drive Track Spring
01070	5208	05	Connector
11747	6112	12	Shoe assy.
10349	6073	05	Gage
10092	6061	12	Head rest range finder
10073	6061	02	Torsion Bar
09338	6033	17	Switch bolt
08971	6025	05	Arm right
08877	6025	12	Seal drivers hatch
05690	5336	02	M48A3
05688	5336	02	M48A3
10098	6061	12	M48A3
04084	5299	02	M48A3

(5) A listing of all Red Ball requisitions (completed and outstanding) is as follows:

<u>DOC No.</u>	<u>DDD</u>	<u>NOMENCLATURE</u>	
10134	062	Helmet cvc med	Outstanding

COMPLETED

<u>DOC No.</u>	<u>DDD</u>	<u>NOMENCLATURE</u>	<u>RED BALL DATE</u>	<u>DATE RECEIVED</u>
24543	21Jan65	Periscope	11Nov65	Completed 16Jan66
04096	27Oct65	Gen Engine	13Nov65	Completed 28Jan66
02097	7Oct65	Tank Combat w/blade	6Dec65	24Apr66
02185	90Oct65	Sprocket	7Dec65	Completed 17Mar66
02194	90Oct65	M-3 Mixer Compressor	12Nov65	25Feb66
00982	15Sep65	Pan Oil Assy	25Feb66	Completed 15May66
08418	18Jan66	Torsion Bar c/w	23Feb66	Completed 18May66
06161	8Dec65	Torsion Bar ccw	24Feb66	19Apr66
01757	28Sep65	Torsion Bar cw	9Nov65	8Feb66
00962	17Sep65	Gen Assy w/pulley	9Nov65	Completed 9Dec65
00163	21Aug65	Hose Assy - Rubber	12Nov65	Completed 23Dec65
04703	3Nov65	Battery	26Nov65	Completed 30Dec65
02753	16Oct65	Tube Assy	13Nov65	Completed 4Jan66
01430	22Sep65	Valve Assy	12Nov65	Completed 3Jan66
02963	20Oct65	Receiver Trans-Radio	9Nov65	Completed 3Jan66
02752	15Oct65	Hose Assy	13Nov65	Completed 25Dec65
02067	60Oct65	Dozer, Tank	22Feb66	15Apr66

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CONFIDENTIAL3. Evacuation and Hospitalization

a. General Status. Preventive medicine has been pursued vigorously and consequently sanitary conditions are excellent.

b. Evacuation Status:	Air	Surf	AW Evac	Ret To Duty
KIA	0	2	0	0
WIA	0	6	0	3
NON-BATS	0	2	0	1

4. Transportation

a. The overall effectiveness of the Battalion Motor Transport Platoon continues to be excellent.

b. The mileage for the month of May is 22,433.

c. All 13 of the Battalion's M100, $\frac{1}{2}$ ton trailers were turned in for new like items. This exchange was part of the FY66 R&E Program.

d. The Command utilized Rough Rider twice during the reporting period. A total of 5 truck loads of supplies were sent via this method to Company "C" in Phu Bai. Rough Rider is proving to be the most reliable means of transporting materials to the Phu Bai area.

e. Excellent vehicle maintenance is being maintained. This is due mainly to the concentrated effort on drivers maintenance.

5. Servicea. Tank Maintenance

(1) During the month of May, 3 tanks sustained major damage due to enemy mines. The Tank suspension system is effected the most. These items have always been difficult to obtain. The tank maintenance effort is held back by the lack of these repair parts. Enemy mining has seriously aggravated this condition.

(2) This Command will receive 24 of the 30 R&E M48A3 tanks available from the FY66 Program. The following tanks will be returned for rebuild:

217837	201832	201941	202067
201889	202019	202106	217831
217838	202041	217834	202150
201881	202124	201930	201961
202093	201958	202024	217794
217797	201955	201896	202094

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CONFIDENTIALb. Cantonement

(1) The improvement of the Camp cantonement has been continuous.

(2) The Division Engineer requested the number of strong backs in the Battalion CP which could be converted into Tropical Huts. There are 37 billeting huts, 9 storage huts and 3 office spaces which should be converted.

(3) A 60 KW generator is now providing the CP with power. This is a great improvement. The Command's 30 KW is at PLSG for extensive repair. The 30 KW will be utilized as a back up generator when it is repaired.

c. Sanitation

(1) The Division Engineer surveyed the mess hall drainage problem. Due to the non-porous soil and lack of drain pipes, a very poor sanitation condition is developing. A work request was submitted to the 7th Eng Battalion for a proper drainage system. A high priority was assigned by the Division Engineer & work is expected to commence during June.

d. Food Service

(1) Due to the civil disturbances within the Da Nang complex, fresh stores were not off loaded and consequently B rations were the fare for a 3 week period. With imagination and close supervision the meals were very adequate in quality and quantity.

CONFIDENTIALCOMMAND AND CONTROL

The Tank Companies of the 3D Tank Battalion remain in direct support of the three infantry regiments of the 3D Marine Division.

Company "A" (-)(Rein) is in direct support of the 3D Marine Regiment with the 2D Platoon supporting the 1st Battalion and the 1st Platoon supporting the second Battalion. One platoon of Company "A" has been assigned in direct support of the 1st Battalion, 9th Marine Regiment, reinforcing Company "B" in support of that regiment.

Company "B" (Rein) is in direct support of the 9th Marine Regiment. The 1st and 2d platoons are supporting the 1st Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment and the 3d platoon is supporting the 2d Battalion, 9th Marine Regiment.

Company "C" (Rein), operating in the Hue/Phu Bai Area, is in direct support of the 4th Marine Regiment. From 5 May until 31 May, Company "C" (-) (Rein) supported the 1st Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment; 1st Battalion, 4th Marine Regiment; and 2D Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment in that order during operations in the Co Bi Thanh Tan Area, north of Hue, while the 1st Platoon supported either 2D Battalion, 1st Marines or 1st Battalion, 4th Marines in the Phu Bai TAOR.

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Reliable communications were maintained during the month of May to support tactical requirements.

A long local was installed from this command's switchboard to the American Advisor's office located at Hoa Cam Training Camp.

An issue of KY8 voice encryption devices through the registered publications system has been received by this command. The KY8 voice encryption device has been designed for use with the new family of FM radios. Tactical employment of the KY8 is pending receipt of the initial issue of new family of FM radios by this command.

This command presently has five (5) AN/PRC-10, (1) AN/PRC-47, and (1) RT-66 radios deadlined and awaiting repair parts at the electronics repair facilities of FLSG "A".

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During the month of May 1966, Sick Call for the Battalion was consistent with previous months. A total of 318 outpatients were seen. The most prevalent of diseases seen was skin infection, and rashes.

The venereal disease cases for this month were very low. Only 4 cases of venereal disease were treated.

In the Civil Action Field our Medical Team visited Phong Bac Village thrice weekly. A total of 577 patients were seen and received 948 treatments.

Approximately 175 civilian patients visited the Battalion Aid Station with various complaints that required the attention of the Medical Officer. The majority of these had boils and infections of the skin which have responded very well to treatment.

On 31 May the Civil Action Medical Team visited villages of Phu Hoa and Xom Mit for the first time. There were 171 patients seen in Phu Hoa and 65 patients seen in Xom Mit. A total of 352 treatments were given. This action is being coordinated through the Hoa Cam Training Camp. At present it is planned to visit these villages two times a week.

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During May 1966 the 3d Tank Battalion continued to improve and expand its Civic Action Program and was directed by the Commanding General, 3d Marine Division to coordinate five other Battalions' Civic Action programs.

The 3d Tank Battalion continued to give approximately 200 pounds of garbage each day to the hamlet of Phong Bac. This garbage is used as pig feed and has been found effective in increasing the size and growth of the pigs.

The MEDCAP program was expanded during May to take in 7 formerly unaided hamlets located around the southwestern edge of the Hoa Cam training center, (AT 975714). This expansion accounts for the increase in both people treated and treatments administered from 288 people receiving 396 treatments in April to 813 people receiving 1,300 treatments in May. The MEDCAP team was engaged an average of 4 days a week in the hamlets and spent a total of over 1,250 man-hours treating local villagers. The Battalion Aid Station continues to keep its doors open 24 hours a day for emergency sick call. The MEDCAP continues to be the singularly most important arm of the Civic Action work done in the 3d Tank Battalion's rural area of responsibility.

In conjunction with the regular MEDCAP the Battalion conducted several special medical operations during the month of May. Extensive dental and bone reconstruction was done on a small boy who lost part of his jaw when a Viet Cong grenade exploded next to him. Another young boy possessing a double hairlip underwent corrective surgery with amazingly successful results. He is now as normal in facial appearance and appears well adjusted. Due to the operation he has become somewhat of a celebrity and is now accepted by the children as an equal, where as he had previously been shunned by them.

The 3d Tank Battalion Commanding Officer was designated Civic Action Area Coordinator for Hoa Tho and Hoa Cuong Villages by Division Order 05080.4 of 4 May 1966. This order gives him the authority to direct and coordinate the civic action efforts of 6 Battalions plus all other military and civilian agencies working in Hoa Tho and Hoa Cuong villages. The initial objectives of the coordinated program will be to research the existing education programs in the two villages and then to take corrective action where necessary and possible before school begins again in August; additionally, to establish a standardized program for the training of Rural Health Workers throughout the two village complex. It is expected that this improved coordination will make each units civic action program more effective and will enhance the overall effort in this heavily populated portion of Hoa Vang District.

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The 3d Tank Battalion provided relief assistance during May 1966 as follows:

- a. Clothes25 Pounds
- b. Soap3,050 Bars
- c. Detergent100 Pounds
- d. Salad Oil16 Gallons
- e. Toys10 Pounds
- f. Sewing Kits100 Each
- g. Millinery Kits14 Each
- h. Salt50 Pounds
- i. Rice100 Pounds
- j. Scrap Lumber2,000 Pounds

Relief assistance was considerably less during May than in previous months due to the lack of supply items available because of the civil disturbance in the City of Danang. The relief assistance included 50 pounds of rice and assorted clothes which were given to a family as tokens of our sorrow at the slaying of their young son through the carelessness of an unknown Marine from another area.

The Battalion began the actual physical construction of both village market place for Hoa Tho Village and another classroom for Phong Bac School. Detailed planning for the projects had been completed by the end of April and only a lack of materials prevented an earlier construction. A TD-15 and a TD-18 were used to level the area for the market and to build a driveway through a 10' bank to create another access to the area. The TD-15 was then used at the school site to dig out and level a section of land adjacent to the existing structure.

The high point of the month occurred early, when on May 7, the Battalion participated in the graduation exercises at Phong Bac School. After nearly 10 months of hard work, setbacks, successes, Viet Cong terrorists' raids, and finally the completion of the school project it was most gratifying to both Marines and the Vietnamese to watch the first class in over two years graduate.

The Battalion Commander was the honored guest and primary speaker for the occasion. He commented upon the great natural resources and manpower availability of Vietnam; and, that with freedom and a good education program for the young the country could prosper and develop strong leaders. This would assure all Vietnamese, young and old, of the good life. The speech was well received by the people and drew considerably more than the perfunctory applause usually employed by the Vietnamese.

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The Battalion Commander presented gifts to the top 3 students in each grade. The gifts consisted of a package containing various school supplies and a sewing kit. The children exhibited their enthusiasm over the gifts. Gifts were also presented to the teachers as a token of the peoples' and the 3d Tank Battalion's appreciation for a job well done. See attached photographs of Phong Bac School's May 1966 Graduation exercise.

The 3d Tank Battalion continued to reap the results of the security it provides for the hamlet of Phong Bac. More cooperation and increased friendliness are both becoming more evident as the confidence of the people in the quality of protection the Battalion is providing increases. Further evidence of success is the fact that there were no known Viet Cong acts of terrorism or coercion in the 3d Tank Battalion's Civic Area of Responsibility during May 1966.

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TIME		SERIAL NO	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT				
				1 May 1966	
				No Eventful Occurrences	
				2 May 1966	
				No Eventful Occurrences	
				3 May 1966	
				No Eventful Occurrences	
				4 May 1966	
1300				Joined 6 USMC Enlisted	S
				5 May 1966	
				No Eventful Occurrences	
				6 May 1966	
1300				Joined 3 USMC Enlisted	S
				7 May 1966	S
1000				Transferred 10 USMC Enlisted to 3d Medical Battalion	
				8 May 1966	
				No Eventful Occurrences	
				9 May 1966	
				No Eventful Occurrences	
				10 May 1966	
0900				Reassignment of Personnel IAW CG3dMarDiv Hqs 090145Z	S
				11 May 1966	
1200				Transferred 15 USMC Enlisted to Headquarters Battalion	S
				12 May 1966	
				No Eventful Occurrences	
				13 May 1966	
				No Eventful Occurrences	
				14 May 1966	
				No Eventful Occurrences	
				15 May 1966	
				No Eventful Occurrences	
				16 May 1966	
				No Eventful Occurrences	
				17 May 1966	
				No Eventful Occurrences	

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IN	OUT				
				18 May 1966	
0800				Transferred 10 USMC Enlisted to Headquarters Battalion	S
				19 May 1966	
1100				Joined 1 USMC Enlisted	S
				20 May 1966	
0430				Lt R. C. KINKEAD, 091807	
				LCpl J. H. FURR 2098635	
				SSgt M. F. BENNETT 1093488	
				Cpl V. P. BARTASHUS 2050694	
				Wounded In Action	
				PFC R. L. WILDMAN 2064914	Letter of
				Killed In Action; Members of	condolance
				Company "C" Phu Rai	sent
				21 May 1966	
0425				LCpl J. H. FURR 2098635 Died	S- letter
				Of Wounds, Danang Hospital	of condolance
				Lt R. A. HENDERSON 092053	sent
				and PFC R. E. PAYNE 2134445	
				Wounded In Action Danang	S
				22 May 1966	
1600				Joined 1 USMC Enlisted	S
				23 May 1966	
				No Eventful Occurences	
				24 May 1966	
				No Eventful Occurences	
				25 May 1966	
0800				Transferred 5 USMC to Head- quarters Battalion	S
				26 May 1966	
				No Eventful Occurences	
				27 May 1966	
				No Eventful Occurences	
				28 May 1966	
				No Eventful Occurences	
				29 May 1966	
				No Eventful Occurences	
				30 May 1966	
1100				Joined 1 USMC OFFICER for 60 Days TAD	S

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Tab G: Map, AMS Sheet 6460 II, Series L701, Ap Lai Bang

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On	Serial Number	Time dated	Incidents Orders, etc.	Action taken
302400Apr-012400May66				
0900	01	300725Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 120	S-M-F
0900	02	301444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 119	S-M-F
1630	03	011000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 120	S-M-F
012400-022400 May 66				
0900	04	010748Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 121	S-M-F
0900	05	011444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 120	S-M-F
1630	06	021000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 122	S-M-F
1700	07	012400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 121	S-M-F
022400-032400 May 66				
0900	08	010748Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 121 Section II	S-M-F
0900	09	020718Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 122	S-M-F
1630	10	031000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 122	S-M-F
1700	11	022400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 122	S-M-F
032400-042400 May 66				
0900	12	030710Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 123	S-M-F
0900	13	291444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 118	S-M-F
0900	14	021444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 121	S-M-F
0900	15	031444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 122	S-M-F
1630	16	041000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 123	S-M-F
1700	17	032400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 123	S-M-F
042400-052400 May 66				
0900	18	040726Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 124	S-M-F
0900	19	041444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 123	S-M-F
1630	20	051000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 124	S-M-F
1700	21	042400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 124	S-M-F
052400-062400 May 66				
0900	22	050737Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 125	S-M-F
0900	23	051444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 124	S-M-F
1630	24	061000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 125	S-M-F
1700	25	052400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 125	S-M-F
062400-072400 May 66				
0900	26	060716Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 126	S-M-F
0900	27	061444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 125	S-M-F
1630	28	071000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 127	S-M-F
1700	29	062400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 126	S-M-F

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072400-082400 May 66				
0900	30	070705Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 127	S-M-F
0900	31	071444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 126	S-M-F
1630	32	081000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 128	S-M-F
1700	33	072400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 127	S-M-F
082400-092400 May 66				
0900	34	080600Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 128	S-M-F
0900	35	081444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 127	S-M-F
1630	36	091000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 129	S-M-F
1700	37	082400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 128	S-M-F
092400-102400 May 66				
0900	38	090727Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 129	S-M-F
1630	39	101000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 130	S-M-F
1700	406	092400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 129	S-M-F
102400-112400 May 66				
0900	41	100741Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 130	S-M-F
0900	42	091444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 128	S-M-F
0900	43	101444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 129	S-M-F
1600	44	111000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 131	S-M-F
1700	45	102400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 130	S-M-F
112400-122400 May 66				
0900	46	110738Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 131	S-M-F
0900	47	111444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 130	S-M-F
1600	48	121000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 132	S-M-F
1700	49	112400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 131	S-M-F
122400-132400 May 66				
0900	50	120722Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 132	S-M-F
0900	51	121444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 131	S-M-F
1600	52	131000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 133	S-M-F
132400-142400 May 66				
0900	53	130745Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 133	S-M-F
0900	54	140813Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 134	S-M-F

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0900	55	131144Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 132	S-M-F
1600	56	141000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 134	S-M-F
1700	57	132400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 133	S-M-F
142400-152400 May 66				
0900	58	141444Z	3d Maf INTSUM# 133	S-M-F
1600	59	151000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 135	S-M-F
1700	60	142400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 134	S-M-F
152400-162400 May 66				
0900	61	150708Z	3d MARDIV INTSUM# 135	S-M-F
0900	62	151444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 134	S-M-F
0900	63	161444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 135	S-M-F
1600	64	161000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 136	S-M-F
1700	65	152400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 135	S-M-F
162400-172400 May 66				
1600	66	171000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 136	S-M-F
1700	67	162400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 136	S-M-F
172400-182400 May 66				
0900	68	170734Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 137	S-M-F
0900	69	160647Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 136	S-M-F
1600	70	181000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 137	S-M-F
1700	71	172400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 137	S-M-F
182400-192400 May 66				
0900	72	180805Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 138	S-M-F
0900	73	181444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 137	S-M-F
1600	74	191000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 138	S-M-F
1700	75	182400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 138	S-M-F
192400-202400 May 66				
1600	76	201000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 139	S-M-F
1700	77	192400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 139	S-M-F

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202400-212400 May 66					
0900		78	190750Z	3d MARDIV INTSUM# 139	S-M-F
0900		79	200711Z	3d MARDIV INTSUM# 140	S-M-F
0900		80	191444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 138	S-M-F
1600		81	211000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 140	S-M-F
1700		82	202400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 140	S-M-F
212400-222400 May 66					
0900		83	201444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 139	S-M-F
0900		84	190850H	Tank with 2/9 detonated UNK type mine at (BT022637)	S-M-F
0900		85	211444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 140	S-M-F
1600		86	221000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 141	S-M-F
1700		87	212400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 141	S-M-F
222400-232400 May 66					
0900		88	210745Z	3d MARDIV INTSUM# 141	S-M-F
0900		89	220658Z	3d MARDIV INTSUM# 142	S-M-F
1600		90	231000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 142	S-M-F
1700		91	222400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 142	S-M-F
232400-242400 May 66					
0900		92	221444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 141	S-M-F
0900		93	231444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 142	S-M-F
1600		94	241000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 143	S-M-F
1700		95	232400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 143	S-M-F
242400-252400 May 66					
0900		96	230721Z	3d MARDIV INTSUM# 143	S-M-F
0900		97	240732Z	3d MARDIV INTSUM# 144	S-M-F
0900		98	241444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 143	S-M-F
1600		99	251000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 144	S-M-F
1700		100	242400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 144	S-M-F
252400-262400 May 66					
0900		101	250700Z	3d MARDIV INTSUM# 145	S-M-F
0900		102	251444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 144	S-M-F
1600		103	261000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 145	S-M-F
1700		104	262400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 145	S-M-F

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				262400-272400 May 66	
0900		105	261444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 145	S-M-F
1600		106	271000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 146	S-M-F
1700		107	262400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 146	S-M-F
				272400-282400 May 66	
0900		108	270740Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 147	S-M-F
0900		109	271444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 146	S-M-F
1600		110	281000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 147	S-M-F
1700		111	282400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 148	S-M-F
				282400-292400 May 66	
0900		112	280720Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 148	S-M-F
1600		113	291000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 148	S-M-F
				292400-302400 May 66	
1600		114	301000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 149	S-M-F
1700		115	292400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 149	S-M-F
				302400-312400 May 66	
0900		116	300650Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 150	S-M-F
0900		117	290732Z	3d MarDiv INTSUM# 149	S-M-F
0900		118	281444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 147	S-M-F
0900		119	291444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 148	S-M-F
0900		120	301444Z	3d MAF INTSUM# 149	S-M-F
1600		121	311000H	9th Marines INTSUM# 150	S-M-F
1700		122	302400H	3d Marines INTSUM# 150	S-M-F
1815		123	301815H	Tank hit mine at (AT979622) Extensive damage to left side. No casualties. Home made mine approx 80-100 lbs explosives.	S-M-F
0830		124	310730H	Tank hit mine at (YD515308). No Cas. Moderate damage to Tank. 155mm rd laid on the side of the road.	S-M-F
0900		125	300936H	4th Marines INTSUM# 63	S-M-F

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2215		01	022053Z	CoB. JMW. B1 conducted patrol with B6&B5 fr CoB Cp to KCoCp. At 0930H w/3tks & 1 flm tk. Blade improved defensive position at KCoCp. B1 conducted 2d patrol w/B6&B5 fr K Cp to Hamy Dong one at 1230H w/2tks no enemy contact. B1 assumed nite posn K,Cp w/3tks. B3 conducted patrol vic H,Cp at 0700. Fired 8HL atbunkers and caves at 033624. Destroyed same B3 will conduct patrol tomorrow at 1400 vic H,Cp w/H/3. B6 to KCoCp f/helo recon area w/00 2/4 f/proposed operation.			

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2155	1502	01	031505H	CoB CO. CoA CO, CoC CO. CO's conference planned f/4May. Postponed till 0900 12May. ColMant Chiefs to attend. Acknowledge.	F
		02	032100H	CoB. LITMUR. 3 tks patrolled fr K,2/4Cp to (AT 082712) at 1500. No enemy contact. 2dFlt con- tinues to defend old LCo Cp. Now G,2/4 Cp. 3dFlt continued patrol w/3dFlt H,2/9 in vic AT 15 616-no enemy contact.	F
				032201H-032200H no significant activity.	

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0730		R 01	040720H	CoB. B3 mission completed. Fired 50Cal30 into VC tunnel. Fired 12HE at 015622 destroying 2 houses and 2 dikes.	A
1920		02	041920H	9thMar S-2. 1 VC Co coord AT 001639 to AT 995635. 39th VC Bn coord BT 020598. Mission-to attack Than Trang Outpost at coord BT 001664 and to mortar USMC posn at Viem Tay (3) and Phong Luc (3) following info passed to 9thMar by BOMUNG, Rateol B2/	C
1945		03	041945H	CoC. C1 sent 4 tks in direct spt 2/1. Made recon south w/4tks. Operation Cherokee postponed 24hrs due to weather.	T
2005		04	042005H	Squad Leader, Sqd #2 called fr Phong Bac School. Hadapprehended a 24yr old male w/improper ID. S2 notified.	F
2110		05	042110H	S-2 returned fr Phong Bac School. Male turned loose. Had temp ID.	F
2130		06	042119H	CoB. B tks in spt 3/9 conducted 2 patrols w/no enemy contact. Tks expend 50Cal30 & 12HE into tunnel, houses, 2 dikes. Tks now in nite defensive posn.	F

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0300		01	050300H	Eqd #2 at Phon Bac School reported 6 incoming sniper rds fr across road. No casualties.	F
1210		02	051245H	CoA SPOTREP. A. CoA F21&F22; B. 051135H; C. 921726; D. Recd 3 rds SA fire fr undetermined source; E. Obs-neg.	F
2030		03	051145H	CoB SPOTREP. Flm tks dropped load at (BT 065632).	F
2018		04	051800H	CoC SITREP. C3 w/tks flm & VIR made 2 river crossings in D/S 11. No contact. Cp loc skeet 64601 (AT 535322).	F
				SUMMARY 042201H-052200H May66. No activity.	

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1500		01	061430H	CoB SPOTREP. B2 conducted search&clear w/inf 061000H-061400H in GS 0662. Destroyed 20 houses. Expend 8HE&2cann. Neg contact.	F
2200		02	061500H	CoA. Fired H&I into 815767, 807769, 809773, 820776, 808781, 807188. All unobs. Expend 4OH&12AP.	F
30		03	062100H	CoB. SITREP. B2 w/G1-G2 will conduct search&clear for next five days w/3tks. SUMMARY 052201H-062200H May66. CoB. Conducted an S&C w/2/4 fr 061000H-061400H in GS 0662. 20 buildings destroyed. Expend 8HE, 2cann. Neg contact, CoA fired H&I into xxx 6 targets. Expend 4OH&12AP. Results unk.	F

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1510		01	071335H	CoB. 2dPlt in posn to commence sweep AT 084605 at present no enemy contact.
1530		02	071200H	GO CoB. 3dPlt recon today 070400H-071600H at 015628. Will rpt future 2/9Cp engr arr this Cp f/road construction. Will attempt to use their equip f/our needs here.
1545		03	071550H	CoB. B3 completed sweep. no contact. will bivouac (090598) tonite.
1945		04	071755H	CoB SPOTTER. A. B32; B. C71530H; C. 015628; D. Patrol of future 2/9Cp; E. Expend 10camm in patrol area; F. to N. neg..
2200		05	072111H	CoB. SITREP. A. See my traffic fr 062100H-072100H; B. B2; xxx will cont sweep w/2/4 GC. 1st& 2dPlt B1 will cont improvement of K,3/9 Cp.

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0805		01	080800H	CoB. B2 departing on sweep to (094591).			
1120		02	081055H	CoB. B2 compl sweep. Neg cont.			

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					F
1355		01	091337H	CoB. 2dFlt compl sweep Tan ly 1. Neg contact. Have now moved to Tan ly 3.	F
1400		02	091143H	CoB. 2dFlt compl sweep Tan ly 3 now moving to G, 2/40p. Arr sometime this afternoon.	F

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1220		01	100800H	CoB. 1stFlt departed Op 0800 on sweep A/K, 3/9 fr 093654-096650 in Viem Dong. A, 3/9 captured 1VC. 1 VC KIA. 1 VC taken under fire by tks. 2116312 fired at VC. Neg results.	F
2115		02	102000H	CoB. 2dFlt oper w/inf fr 101830H-101930H at (ET 060635). Inf hit booby trap at above coord. Obs 7 VC's running SE. Tk w/reaction force fr 2dFlt moved into area to engage them. Neg results. Expend 3HLat poaa GP's.	F
2115		03	102100H	CoB. 3dFlt conducted recon fr K, 2/4 to 995627 w/H3 tomorrow. NO CoE heli recon future area at 2/4Cp.	F

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					F		
2030		01	111730H	CoO. JLTAK. 2dP1t moved at 0900 w/inf fr h Cp to (574278). Returned at 1500. Went on sweep w/inf to (507396). 3dP1t moved at 0900 w/inf fr 1/40p to (547283). Returned at 1700. HqP1t protected team destroying ontos. Returned 1530.			

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1230		01	121102H	CoB. POFM. Tk B11 attempted fire 190mm cann and late on cann broke off & pellets were in tube. CO ordered cease fire before tk could be reloaded.	F
1950		02	121940H	CoB. At 121250H B32 at (008612) spotted 30 VC walking north along treeline at (020612). 5 w/wns. B32 fired 3HE and obs direct hit on VC. 3VC KIA, 2 Poss.	F
2015		03	122005H	CoB. At 122005H, B12 at (097654) using IR light detected movement of 1 VC at 097652. B12 expended 30-400cal30 on area. Results unk.	F
2045		04	122035H	CoB. At 122035H B12 at (097654) expended 1cann at movement detected by SID at (097652). Results unk.	F

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					F	P	
1615		01	13160H	CoA. Fired 2 cann at 957621 in spt inf under fire. 1VC WIA conf.			
1920		02	131745H	CoC. Elements of HqSec on patrol 0630 at 520300. Returned at 1000. No contact.			

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2045		01	142025H	COM. SPOTTER. B320H51 records 5 VC ALA vic (019609) inf killed 23 VC H51&B32 collect 3 wpns and gear. No damage.			
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0825		D1	150825H	CO CoB. Be prepared to commit lite sec to GS 0478. Retain on 15-minute alert. CC rpt to TkbunOp acknowledge.	F
1130		D2	151100H	CoB. B14-B51&B32 moving to coord 042621 w/CoH as roadblock.	F
1200		D3	152100H	CoB. While in posn w/inf at 098656 at 152010 inf shot 1 VC w/SA. 60mm&81mm mortars were called in on VC posn. 1 VC KIA (BC).	F
2200		D4	151900H	CoB. 2 tks &sqd inf assumed blocking posn at BT 093646 while K,3/9 made a sweep of Vien Dong GS BT 0965. Negative enemy contact.	F
2225		D5	152117H	CoB. SITREP. Tksec standing ready as req. Be advised a rein Co fr 1/1 was lifted into 2/4 rear area at 151000H. Will advise as to purpose.	F

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1930	01	161300H	CoB. At 161245H B32&H51 loc (042621) recd 20-30 AM fire appeared fired by 2 VC. Expend 60Cal30 & 200cal50. Results unk. 1 AAVN KIA as result enemy fire.	F
2055	02	162055H	CoA B1THAF. At 162000H A41 loc (AT 953665) recd 10 rds SA fire fr sniper loc at (AT 952608). Expend 1cann. Results unk.	F
2140	03	162200H	CoB. At 162030H B15 loc (089653) obs boat crossing lake fr E to W at (100644). Estimate 4-5 VC in boat. B15 expend 1HL, 1WP. Obs 2 direct hits. CoK, 3/9 CO credits B15 w/4VC KIA by body count.	F

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0220		01	170220H	CoB. B13&B33 instr to move to USMC blocking posn at coord (C59738). CoL, 3/3 deployed up further near airfield at approx 0215 CoL secured to their Op. B13&B33 returned to nite posn at MCB-8.	F
1430		02	141800H	SLTRFP CoC. 3dPlt w/CoA, 1/4 conducted sweep fr Song Bo 6025 km, 8026, 2027 west to 5525, 5526, 5527. Large rice stores discovered. No enemy contact.	F
143		03	171743H	Div G-3. Tkdn go fr 4-hr alert to 6-hr alert.	F

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0815		01	172201H	CoE. 172200H B15 fired 500al30 fr 093645-103645 at 2 VC. Results unk.			
2115		02	182115H	CoE. SPOTTER. CoL, 3/3 req tks at 181030H f/reaction force. Tks moved to L, 3/3 Op. Da Nang Bridge held by 200 ARVN fr Tien Sha garrison. Armed w/MULCHOCUS IG s and 2-57mm RR/ ARVN threatened to destroy bridge if Viet Marines tried to cross. CO, 3/3 persuaded ARVN to evacuate and remove demolitions. Bridge now held by 1 plt PF. ARVN have roadblock at (048764). Bridge is closed. Tks returned to Op.			SF

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0710		01	190710H	Div G-3. Alert to form Team C of Task Force Romeo f/poss mve to Da Nang East Bridge to counter movement of ADVN. Team C elements fr this Bn are A15, A25, A23, B34, F22 and 1 prov inf plt F	F
0800		02	171000H	CoC. 5THAF. At 171745H 3dFlt elements of HqFlt moved w/3dFltCoD to 520300 pursuing estd 80 VC spotted at 526312. Tks engaged enemy. 3 VC WIA (poss). Expend 21HE, 1WP, 1500Cal30. At 170230H 50rds 60&81mm mortar recd and unk number VC infiltrated our lines & set demos. No casualties.	F
0815		03	190815H	Div COC. Return to normal alert posture.	SF
0905		04	190905H	Div COC. Move task group (AT 987745) 400 yd to west.	SF
1000		05	191000H	CoB. MineRep. At 0900 H51 detonated mine at 027638. Extensive damage to right suspension. No casualties.	SF
1540		06	191337H	CoB B15 obs 1 VC at 098658. Fired fr 098659. Expend 300Cal30. Results unk.	F
2055		07	192055H	Div G-3. Pagoda in ville loc at 995747 (Dogpatch) occupied by struggle forces armed w/locked and loaded M-79. Also 6 machine guns, 1 covering hiway 1 to north, 1 covering highway 1 to south and 4 others.	SF
2200		08	192120H	Div G-3. Ultimatum delivered to struggle forces at pagoda (see above entry) by Viet Ranger of 37th Ranger Bn. Rangers state that if pagoda is not cleared of struggle forces they will move to take pagoda.	SF
		09	192112H	Div G-3. Effective immediately- all U.S. traffic restricted fr Da Nang.	SF

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1945		01	201745H	H&SCoBunker Y-2. Vietnamese convoy of 8 trucks and 2 civilian buses w/people all over the road waving flags heading up hwy 1 toward Phong Le Bridge.	SF
1750		02	201750H	H&SCoBunker Y-2. One truck passed thru Phong Le Bridge and 2 spotter planes obs convoy.	F
210		03	201745H	CoC. 0400 2 tks attacked by 1 VC Co w/mortars & AT wpns resulting in considerable damage to both tks. Friendly 1 KIA, 4 MIA. Enemy 9 KIA, 80.	SF
1915		04	201945H	H&SCoBunker Y-4. 61 AMVN forming on Hoa Cam ridge.	F
2015		05	202015H	PF's at Scol. Marines have not come we will return to Hoa Vang. 2 children wounded next to scol	S
2030		06	202030H	S-3 9thMar. Will notify Hoa Vang abt PF's retreat. Marine sdq cannot return to scol because Buddhists are lining the road.	SF
2200		07	202200H	CoB. JLTAF. A. Reaction Tks 41442; Ex w/flames 32431 standingby; B. Neg; C. Neg; VN Marines advised JLTAF plan to cross river at that point. JLTAF refused reason f/standby alert.	F

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1458		01	211458H	CoE. SPOTLIF. Fr 211300H-21150H B2 units reconned 084603 to determine cond of road. No cont.	F
1535		02	211535H	CoA. SPOTLIF. A14441 engaged w/ esti 1 VC plt South of hill 22. No comm. Tks expend 400mm and destroyed 1 57mmRR. Details to follow when comm is restored.	F
2200		03	211922H	CoE. B2 recd sniper fire fr west. returned 400cal30 & 200cal50. Results unk.	F
2130		04	212130H	HaSCo Barker Y-4 rpts firefight near Hoa Cam on ridgeline to their front.	SF
2130		05	212130H	CoA. Inf credits tks w/destroying 2 57mmRR and 6 VC KIA south of hill 22. 2 tks & 1 plt inf will remain along Song Yen f/nite. 2 tks will move off hill 55 to east of Song Yen & take up posns f/nite.	SF

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2050		01	221735H	CoA CO. Final results of action on hill 22. 28 VC KIA (BC). Esto 20-50 more KIA poss. 2 57mmR knocked out. CoA had 2 KIA, Cpl PAYNE & Lt HENDERSON. Cpl PAYNE treated at Cp, Lt HENDERSON evac. Whereabouts unk at this time. Will inform as soon as results are known.			SF

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2230		01	232100H	CoB. B11 & B12 were on recon w/inf at 231830H ar coord (100611) - (099614). Several VC were spotted running into the wood line. Tk expend 100Cal30 and 100Cal50. Results unk.	
2245		02	232200H	CoB. At 232140H Tk B14 loc at Co Cp recd 50 rds SA fire fr west of Cp. B14 obs muzzle flash & returned 25Cal50, 30Cal30, 1 90mm cann.	

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2025		01	241930H	CoB. SOUTHERN. At 241300H 4 1st Lt Tks destroyed 3 bunkers at (109625). No enemy contact.	F
2055		02	242075H	CoB. SOUTHERN. At 241715H G, 2/4 Cp recd 7 rds sniper fire fr (066643). Tk B23 fired 750al50 B23/B21 searched area. Neg Results.	F

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0930		01	250930H	H6500. Citizen fr Phong Lac approached Cp 4 rpt grenade in ville.			SI

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1835		01	261610H	CoC. 7 tks moved to posn 15A area time 251930H f/local security. At 2030 traffic units forward of perimeter sighted 3 VCC. Friendly patrol in area fired on VC. This had no contact last 24hrs			
1920		02	261820H	CoA. SPOTLIGHT. A. A412A14 w/200FT's; Bx and 1 sqd inf fr C, 1/9; B. 261030H; C. SS 9565; Conducted sweep of hamlet recd sniper fire fr house. Inf pursued & captured 1 VCC. A41 expended 400 into house destroying it. Inf kill 1 VC w/hand grenades. Returned to hill 22 1232H.	F		SF
2015		03	262015H	Eng Sec. Recd 8 rds sniper fire. Returned 4 rds. Illum fr H52 req. Sniper left front across river.	F		
2300		04	262110H	CoB. LITL. At 0720 obs 2 VC leaving Ha Quan3. Expend 2000al50. Results unk. At 0900 sighted 2 VC at 114635. Expend 1 team, 1HL. 2 VC KIA (poss). Destroyed 10 man-traps and 150 mtrs trenchline west of Ha Quan 4. At 1230 obs 4 VC at 106641. Expend 6HL, 2AT, 1500al30. 4 VC KIA.			SF

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1645		01	271645H	Con. JTHH. A13&A15 participated in practice shoot fr posn at (AT 898714) to target on hill #270 (AT 873688) fr 1300-1500. expend 23AP, 19HE & 200Cal50.	F
2035		02	272030H	CoD. JTHH. G, 2/4 & B2 in blocking posns at (BT 083602) & (BT 083608). Recd 20 rds 101 fire B21 fired 70Cal30, 1HE, 1M. B22 fired 1M. Results unk.	F

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1400		01	290850H	CoB. At 290945H tk's at (BT 115649) obs 4 persons moving into area swept by inf of K,3/9. B12 moved into a firing posn & fired 2w & 300Cal30. Clothing was seen to fly into air. Area was not searched. 1 VC KIA (Poss).			
30		02	291432H	CoB. Tk in spt G,2/9 at 291330H while in posn at (BT 002612) recd sniper fire fr village of Quang Dong. 1 (GS 9960). Expend 12M, 500cann, 1000Cal30, 500Cal50 into sniper posn. Results unk.			

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1920		01	301920H	CoA. SPOTLIGHT. At 301815H A35 hit mine at (979622) retriever will go out tomorrow. Damage: six road wheels, 4 torsion bars, 8 track blocks, poss anchor well housing. All left side. CoA SPOTLIGHT. A41&A31 in spt A, 1/9 dozed 300 mtrs trenches and holes in GS 9562. F21&F22 burned posns f/k, 1/12.	F

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0955		01	310730H	CoC. Rpts C34 detonated a mine while going cross-country. Approx 50-75 lbs. No casualties. Complete rpt to be submitted ASAP- mine posn YD 515308.	SF
1920		02	311920H	CoA. SITREP. A42&A31 in spt A, 1/9 still on opn of clearing area in GS 9562, 9563. Flm tks 21& 22 burned f/A, 1/3 area at (AT 885773).	F
0000		03	311745H	CoC. Mine damage to C34 (ref ser # 01). Mine hit at (YD 524308) believed to be 155mm. Crater 4'dia/2'deep. Damage consisted of 2 warped roadwheels. Roadwheel arm housing sheared., 5 track blocks, 1 shock, 1 shock mount, 1 set of bumper springs, 1 roadwheel hub. Parts are avail at their loc. Anticipate tk to be opnal by 011300H Jun66. At 310808H tks in spt 2/1 at (YD 530260) in 1st phase of opn calif.	SF
2110		04	311950H	CoB. SPOTREP. 2 men fr B34 wounded by AP mine. Tk in spt F, 2/9. TkOmdr & gunner both wounded in right arms. Non-evac. line loc at (BT 007622).	SF

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1600		Dead line reports in from Companies	F
1900		"C" Co has Tank 217797 ready for shipping to the Da Nang area at 0700 on 2 May 1966.	F
1600		Dead line reports are in from Companies.	F
	1800	The problem of non-supply items is still hampering our maintenance people. The grease pit by the mess hall and the Camps Generator is still a problem.	F
1600		Dead line reports are in from Companies.	F
1500		AF21&22 burned fields of fire and observation for H2/3 at BT 923694.	F
1600		Deadline reports in from Companies.	F
	0920	Bn is sending SSgt HALL to Phu Bai ("C" Co) for about (1) week to check on and assist there motor transport people.	F
1305		"B" Co needs Gasoline at 1500 for their completed Flame Tanks. Also will need same again tomorrow at 1400.	F
1600		Dead line reports are in from Companies.	F

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1500		Tanks 23&25 From 2nd Plt "A" Co accompanied a platoon minus of infantry from "A" Co 1/3. Left CP (Coord 889773) to (855765), at 1530H 5 May 1966 and returned at 1220H 6 May 1966. H&I fires were fired during the night into (Coord 815767, 807769, 809773, 820776, 808781 & 807188.) Expended 40 HE & 12 WP.	F
1600		Dead line reports in from Companies	F
	0820	Charlie Co is in need of Tank Parts. They will be sent by Truck ASAP.	F
	1600	"C" Co also has not submitted their narcotics usage report for April, due to being on an operation.	F
1615		Dead line report in from Companies.	F
1815		"B" Co Found a M-26 Grenade buried in the CP. EOD will arrive in the morning to remove same.	F
1600		Dead line reports in from Companies.	F
1800		"C" Co needs a bearing and clutch assy. for Blade Tank ASAP.	F
1600		Dead line reports are in from Companies.	F
1830		As of this time and date "C" Co requested the following items for Tanks 4 blowers/Motors, 4 Fire Extinguishers, Injector wrench puller, Fuel injectors, nozzle, seal, and gaskets. We request that they bring a list of outstanding doc on or den to date.	F

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TIME		INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT		M-TRAP S-STAFF T-TRPS F-FILE
1600		"C" Co needs 4 switch, engine startes.	F
1615		Dead line reports in from Companies.	F
	1730	All items requested by "C" Co will be sent by Rough Rider ASAP.	F
1600		The re-supply of large bulky Tank Parts is still a problem.	F
1615		Dead line reports are in from Companies.	F
1000		CO held his monthly meeting of all Company Commanders.	F
1600		Dead line reports are in from companies.	F
1600		Dead line reports in from Companies.	F
1600		Dead line reports in from companies.	F
0600		This unit was placed on 20 min standby due to political situation in City of Da Nang.	F
1201		Water proofing crs which was schedueled to be held 16-19 May have been canceled due to present situation.	F
1600		Dead line reports in from Companies.	F
0800		Alert status fro Political situation in Da Nang is still the same.	F
1800		Dead line reports are in from companies.	F

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0800		Lt.Col. GLENN arrived from HQMC to collect I Logistical and various other ordinance data.	I
1600		Dead line reports in from companies	F
1600		Alert status for Da Nang Political situation is now 4 hrs.	F
1615		Dead line reports in from companies.	F
0800		Strike Force "C" commanded by Capt. TUNGET moved to Shore Party Bn. CP to take up blocking positions in that vicinity.	F
0900		H51 USMC no. 202149 struck a mine at (027638) causing damage to right rear suspension system. No injuries.	F
1600		Dead line reports in from companies	F
1825		Strike team charlie request mess gear to provide strike team with hot chow.	F
2210		SSB5 needs (1) upper right, (1) lower right, Upper Left & Lower Left oil line still working on Embark data.	F

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IN	OUT		M-TRAP S-STAFF T-TRPS F-FILE
0430		While in action against the VC in the Phu Bai area RVN (4) members of "C" Co 3d Tks were wounded; Cpl VINCENT P. BARTASHUS JR. 2050694, SSgt MERL F. BENNETT 1093488, LCpl JAMES H. FURR 2098635, and 2ndLt R. C. KINKEAD 091807, and Sgt RICHARD CECIL. PFC RICHARD L. WILDMAN 2064914 was KIA.	F
	1115	Bn needs 4 sprockets for VTR ASAP from SSB	F
1520		"B" Co in progress of removing sprockets for return to Bn. Same are needed in the Phu Bai area for recovery of stuck Tanks.	F
1600		Dead line reports in from companies	F
0425		LCpl JAMES H. FURR, 2098635, died of wounds received in action on 20May66.	F
0845		B-5 request 500 gal diesel fuel and 20 rds canisters be sent to B-3 position at H-2-9 ASAP.	F
	1005	Fuel and ammo for B-3 departed CP	F
1020		The LTI team which arrived from Okinawa to inspect Tanks for the R&E Program is presently at "A" Co.	F
1045		"A" Co would like to know if land route to Hill 55 is open.	F
	1110	Land Route to Hill 55 is open.	F

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IN	CUT		M-MAIL S-STAFF T-TRPS F-FILE
1400		A section of Tanks from "A" Co in the vicinity of Hill's 22 & 41 in the Da Nang area assisted infantry elements to repel an attack. During the course of action 2 men were wounded, 2ndLt R. A. HENDERSON, 092053 and PFC R. E. PAYNE, 2134445.	F
1440		A31 needs 30cal. machine gun cover plate. Same was sent. A35 also needs a comm man to check radio's same was sent.	F
1600		Dead line reports in from companies	F
1600		Dead line reports in from companies	F
1307		A41 needs Turret repair man on hill 22 for Turret - ring. Same was dispatched.	F
	1328	A41 could not be repaired today.	F
1600		Dead line report in from companies	F
1550		Stand down from alert status IAW CG 3dMarDiv msg. 241550Z.	F
2000		SC-1 needs (3) 18" white light's and (3) XEON in-fared lights.	F
1400		SC needs the following radio equip: 3RT-66's Tubes leaded, 6-114, 8-114, 6-1R5, 6-1S5, 8-3Q4. Also 1-0301 for RT 671 from PRC-47. Have sent what was available.	F
1600		Dead line reports in from companies.	F

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IN	OUT		M-IMP S-STAFF T-TRPS F-FILE
1600		Dead line reports in from companies	F
1600		Dead line reports in from companies	F
	0910	"B" Co Compressor arrived at this CP without an assistant to the driver. Same was requested to provide one.	F
1630		In the process of obtaining serial no. on all Xeon searchlights and Tank that same are mounted on.	F
1645		Dead line reports in from companies	F
1745		At 0830 a section of Tanks from "C" Co in support of "H" Co patrolled from area 515310 to the South West. Expended 2 rdo. 90mm WP in the vicinity of Thru Liu Hoa Hien Bt 475275. Results unknown	F
	1810	What is status of "C" 31, which was deadlined on 30Apr. Have not received any more info.	F
0840		B-3 request 600 gal of fuel and Compressor at Ha Dong Bridge by 1300.	F
	1230	Gasoline and compressor dispatched.	F
0830		B-5 request fuel at Ha Dong Bridge by 1400.	F
1240		SB-5 requeste to cancel fuel	OK
1600		Dead line reports in from companies	F

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IN	OUT		M-REP S-STAFF T-TRPS F-FILE
0750		"C" Co needs a right angle drive for C-42. Same was sent.	F
1600		Dead line reports in from companies	F
2130		B Co needs compressor & fuel at 1200 tomorrow at Ha Dong Bridge.	F

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TO: CG 3D MAR DIV

CONFIDENTIAL3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 105 AS OF 022400 H ~~MMY~~ 19661. HIGHLIGHTS.

A. AT 020700H TWO TANKS WHILE ON PATROL WITH INFANTRY DESTROYED A BUNKER AND CAVE AT (AT 033624) WITH EIGHT ROUNDS OF 90 MM H.E.

2. OPERATIONS. 3D TK BN CONTINUES SUPPORT OF THE 3D MAR DIV. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD PROVIDED FOR THE DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR BASE. ONE PROVISIONAL SQUAD PROVIDED FOR SECURITY OF PHON BAC SCHOOL. ONE FIRETEAM AMBUSH.

3. PLANS SUMMARY. CONTINUE TANK COMBAT SUPPORT FOR 3D MAR DIV.

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 106 AS OF 032400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS.

A. AT 031500 THREE TANKS PATROLLED FROM (AT082712) TO (AT098658). NO ENEMY CONTACT WAS ENCOUNTERED.

2. OPERATIONS. 3D TK BN CONTINUES SUPPORT OF THE 3D MAR DIV. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR THE DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR BASE. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD PROVIDED FOR THE SECURITY OF PHON BAC SCHOOL.

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TO: CG, 3D MARDIV

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 107 AS OF 042400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS.

A. TWO TANKS FIRED 50 30 CAL ROUNDS INTO A TUNNEL AND 12 90MM HE AT 2 FORTIFIED HOUSES AND TWO DIXES DESTROYING SAME. NO ENEMY CONTACT. POSITION, (AT 015622).

B. TWO FLAME TANKS BURNED FIELDS OF FIRE FOR H/2/3 AT COORD (AT 923694)

2. OPERATIONS. 3D TK BN CONTINUES SPT OF 3D MARDIV. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR THE DEFENSE OF DABANG AIRFIELD. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQD PROVIDED FOR THE SECURITY OF PHONG BAC SCHOOL.

3. PLANS SUMMARY. CONTINUE TK CMBT SPT FOR 3D MARDIV

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 108 AS OF 052400H

1. HIGHLIGHTS

A. WHILE ON A SWEEP NEAR PHONG HO COMPLEX WITH THE SECOND BATTALION FOURTH MARINES A DOZER TANK FILLED THREE TRENCHES EACH 100 METERS LONG, DESTROYED ONE BUNKER AND 15 DIKES.

B. AT 051330H A TANK WITH AN INFANTRY SQUAD AND ATTACHED ENGINEERS PATROLED FROM AT872829 TO AT893822. NO ENEMY WAS CONTACTED.

2. OPERATIONS. 3D TK BN CONTINUES SUPPORT OF 3D MAR DIV. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR THE DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR FIELD. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD PROVIDED FOR THE SECURITY OF PHONG BAC SCHOOL.

3. PLANS SUMMARY. CONTINUE TANK COMBAT SUPPORT FOR 3D MAR DIV.

4. MISCELLANEOUS. AT 050930 TWO FLAME TANKS BURNED FIELDS OF FIRE AND OBSERVATION AT AT923694.

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 109 AS OF 062400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS

A. FROM 051530 TO 061220 TWO TANKS AND A PLT OF INFANTRY PATROLLED FROM COORD (AT 809773) TO (AT 855765). NA-1 FIRING WAS CONDUCTED DURING THE NIGHT AT COORD (AT 815767), (AT 807769), (AT 809773), (AT 820776) AND (AT 808781). NO DAMAGE ASSESSMENT COULD BE OBTAINED.

B. FROM 061000H TO 061400H 4 GUN TANKS AND 1 PLANE TANK CONDUCTED A SEARCH AND CLEAR MISSION WITH G/2/4 IN GRID SQUARE 0662. 20 BUILDINGS WERE DESTROYED BY THE TANKS. TANKS EXPENDED 8 90MM HE RDS AND 2 90MM CANNISTER RDS.

2. OPERATIONS. 3D TK BN CONTINUES TO SPT 3D MARDIV. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR THE DEFENSE OF THE DANANG AIRFIELD. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD PROVIDED FOR THE SECURITY OF THE PHONG BAC SCHOOL.

3. PLANS SUMMARY. CONTINUE TANK COMBAT SUPPORT FOR 3D MARDIV

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3D TK BN SITREP 110 AS OF 072400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS.

A. FROM 071400H TO 071600H ONE TANK AND PLATOON OF INFANTRY FROM H/2/9 CONDUCTED A PATROL IN GS (BT 0162). NO ENEMY CONTACT.

2. OPERATIONS. 3D TK BN CONTINUES SUPPORT OF 3D MAR DIV, ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION IS (BT 051731). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD IS PROVIDED FROM 071800 TO 080700 IN SUPPORT OF A P. F. SQUAD FOR THE SECURITY OF PHON BAC SCHOOL, LOCATED AT (AT 999713). ONE PROFESSIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD AND PLATOON HEADQUARTERS OPEN TO 2/9 FROM 071800H TO 110800 (ESTIMATED).

3. SUMMARY. CONTINUE TANK COMBAT SUPPORT FOR 3D MAR DIV.

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 111 AS OF 082400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS

A. FROM 080915H TO 081055H 3 TANKS AND G/2/4 MADE A SWEEP IN GRID SQUARE (BT 1058) NO ENEMY CONTACT.

B. FROM: 081405H TO 081550H 3 TANKS CONDUCTED A PATROL FROM COORDINATES (BT 104587) TO (BT 080598).

C. AT 081220H AT (AT 913787) VIETNAMESE CHILDREN TURNED OVER TO ELEMENTS OF THE 3D TK BN ONE (1) M-14 MAGAZINE WITH 12 RDS, ONE (1) 45 CALIBER PISTOL MAGAZINE WITH 7 RDS AND ONE (1) M-14 CHARGER WITH FIVE (5) 7.62MM RDS. CHILDREN WERE PAID FOR THE AMMUNITION.

2. **OPERATIONS.** 3D TK BN CONTINUES SUPPORT OF 3D MARDIV. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION IS (BT 051731). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD IS PROVIDED FROM 081800 TO 090700 IN SUPPORT OF A PF SQUAD FOR THE SECURITY OF PHONG BAC SCHOOL, LOCATED AT (AT 999713). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD AND PLATOON HEADQUARTERS OFCON TO C/1/9 AT COORDINATES (AT 972662).

3. **PLANS SUMMARY.** CONTINUE TANK COMBAT SUPPORT FOR 3D MARDIV

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 112 AS OF 092400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS. FROM 091330H TO 091440H TWO TANKS MADE A SWEEP FROM (BT 082594) TO (BT 065601) WITH G/2/4. NO ENEMY CONTACT.

2. OPERATIONS. 3D TK BN CONTINUES SUPPORT OF 3D MARDIV. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION IS (BT 051731). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD IS PROVIDED FROM 091800 TO 100700 IN SUPPORT OF A PF SQUAD FOR THE SECURITY OF PHONG BAC SCHOOL, LOCATED AT (AT 999713). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD AND PLATOON HEADQUARTERS OPCON TO C/1/9 AT COORDINATES (AT 972662).

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 113 AS OF 102400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS.

A. LATE REPORT. AT 0721130H A VIETNAMESE WOMAN WAS INJURED IN VICINITY OF (AT952665) A MED EVAC HELICOPTER WAS REQUESTED TO LAND AT LA CHAU 2 (AT944675) A TANK LOCATED IN THE H-2-4 CP (AT 954667) ILLUMINATED THE LANDING ZONE WITH SEARCH LIGHT AND GREATLY ASSISTED IN THE EVACUATION.

B. AT 100800H WHILE H-3-9 WAS MAKING A SWEEP AT (BT098658) ACCOMPANYING TANKS TOOK 2 VC UNDER FIRE WITH CAL 30 MG FIRE. ONE OF VC WAS WOUNDED AND CAPTURED THE OTHER EVADED THE MARINES.

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2. OPERATIONS. 3D TK BN CONTINUES SUPPORT OF 3D MARDIV. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR DEFENCE OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION IS (BT 051731). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD IS PROVIDED FROM 101800 TO 110700 IN SUPPORT OF A PF SQUAD FOR THE SECURITY OF PHONG BAG SCHOOL, LOCATED AT (AT999713). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD AND PLATOON HEADQUARTERS OPCON TO C-1-9 AT COORDINATES (AT972662)

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 114 AS OF 112400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS

A. FROM 110830H TO 111030H IN GS (AT 9375) TWO FLAME TANKS IN SUPPORT OF H&S CO. 3D MAR BURNED BRUSH FROM THE ENTRANCE OF A SERIES OF CAVES. A GUN TANK FIRED 25 ROUNDS OF 90MM HE TO SEAL THE CAVES. NO ENEMY CONTACT WAS ENCOUNTERED.

B. A PLATOON OF TANKS WHILE ON A SWEEP IN GS (YD 5428) WITH A SQUAD OF INFANTRY FROM 1/4 APPREHENDED ONE VCS. TIME OF INCIDENT APPROX 111630H.

BOX SCORE

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ROUNDS EXPENDED

25 - 90MM HE

2. OPERATIONS. 3D TK BN CONTINUES SPT OF 3D MARDIV. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION IS (BT 051731). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD IS PROVIDED FROM 111800H TO 120700H IN SUPPORT OF A PF SQUAD FOR THE SECURITY OF PHONG BAC SCHOOL, LOCATED AT (AT 999713).

3. PLANS SUMMARY. CONTINUE TK COMBAT SUPPORT FOR 3D MARDIV

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 115 AS OF 122400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS. AT 121250H TWO TANKS AT (BT 008612) OBSERVED 5 VC WITH WEAPONS AT (BT 020612). THREE (3) 90MM HE ROUNDS WERE FIRED AT THE VC WITH GOOD EFFECT. 3 VC KIA POSSIBLE. *2 VC KIA POSSIBLE*

TANK BOX SCOREMISSION

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2. OPERATIONS. 3D TK BN CONTINUES SPT OF 3D MARDIV. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION IS (BT 051731). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD IS PROVIDED FROM 121800H TO 130700H IN SUPPORT OF A PF SQUAD FOR THE SECURITY OF PHONG BAC SCHOOL, LOCATED AT (AT 999713).

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 116 AS OF 132400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS

A. AT 131100H WHEN INFANTRY FROM D/1/9 WERE TAKEN UNDER FIRE AT (AT 957621) A PLATOON (-) OF TANKS RETURNED FIRE WITH TWO ROUNDS OF 90MM CANNISTER. TWO VC KIA BY BODY COUNT AND three VC WIA CONFIRMED.

B. TANK BOX SCORESNUMBER MISSIONSSUPPORTING

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2. OPERATIONS. 3D TK BN CONTINUES SPT OF 3D MARDIV. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION IS (BT 051731). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD IS PROVIDED FROM 131800H TO 140700H IN SUPPORT OF A PF SQUAD FOR THE SECURITY OF PHONG HAC SCHOOL, LOCATED AT (AT 999713). 1 FIRETEAM AMBUSH FROM 122200H TO 130700H AT (AT 999721), NO ENEMY CONTACT.

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 117 AS OF 142400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS.

A. AT 132200 A SQUAD PATROL DEPARTED THE TANK BATTALION CP AT BT 998709 AND PATROLLED TO BT 002717. PATROL TERMINATED AT 0150. NO ENEMY CONTACT.

B. AT 140730 A TANK IN THE 1/9 DEFENSE POSITION AT 962607 FIRED TWENTY 30 CAL ROUNDS INTO A SNIPER POSITION. NO ENEMY CASUALTY ASSESSMENT.

C. AT 141430H A PLATOON OF TANKS (-) IN SUPPORT OF H/2/9 RECEIVED SIX RIFLE GRENADES AT BT 012608. THREE 90 MM ROUNDS WERE FIRED AT VC IN POSITIONS AT BT 015605. THREE VC KIA (BC). RECEIVED SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM BT 019609. FIRED ONE ROUND 90MM HE OBSERVED. TWO VC KIA (BC).

D. TANK BOX SCORES.NUMBER MISSION.SUPPORTEDOBS UNOBS H&L OTHERMAF ARVN

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2. OPERATIONS. 3D TK BN CONTINUES TO SUPPORT 3D MAR DIV. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION IS (BT 051731). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD IS PROVIDED FROM 141800H TO 150700H IN SUPPORT OF A PF SQUAD FOR THE SECURITY OF PHON BAC

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3 D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 118 AS OF 152400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS

A. FROM 15001H TO 150700H A FT PATROLLED THE VILLAGE OF PHONG BAC (GS 9971) NEGATIVE CONTACT.

B. AT 151900H WHILE K/3/9 WAS CONDUCTING A SWEEP OF THE VILLAGE OF VIEM DONG GS (BT 0965) TWO TANKS AND A SQUAD OF INFANTRY FROM K/3/9 ASSUMED A BLOCKADE AT POSITION (BT 093646), NO ENEMY CONTACT.

2. **OPERATIONS.** 3D TK BN PREPARED TO EXECUTE 3D MARDIV OPO 386-66. 3D TK BN OPO 2-66 ATTACHED TO THIS REPORT. 3D TK BN CONTINUES TO SUPPORT 3D MARDIV. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION IS (BT 051731). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD IS PROVIDED FROM 151800H TO 160700H IN SUPPORT OF A PF SQUAD FOR THE SECURITY OF PHONG BAC SCHOOL.

3. **PLANS SUMMARY.** CONTINUE TK COMBAT SUPPORT FOR 3D MARDIV

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 119 AS OF 162400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS

A. AT 161245H WHILE OPERATING WITH ELEMENTS OF 2D BN 9TH MARINES AT (BT 012621) TWO TANKS RECEIVED 20 - 30 ROUNDS OF AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE. TANKS RETURNED 60, 30 CALIBER AND 20, 30 CALIBER ROUNDS. BRISK CASUALTIES UNDETERMINED. 2 MEN WOUNDED.

B. AT 162000H A TANK IN SUPPORT OF 1/9 AT (AT 953665) RECEIVED 10 ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE FROM A SNIPER LOCATED AT (AT 952668). ONE 90MM CANNISTER ROUND WAS RETURNED. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

C. TANK BOX SCORES

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ROUNDS EXPENDED

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2. OPERATIONS. 3D TANK BN DEPLOYED 2 TANKS INTO BLOCKING POSITION AT NAM O BRIDGE (AT 952661) AND TWO TANKS TO BLOCKING POSITION ON ROUTE 1 (AT 952793). BOTH IN SUPPORT OF 3D MAR. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION IS (BT 051731). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD IS PROVIDED FROM 161800H TO 170700H IN SUPPORT OF A

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PF SQUAD FOR THE SECURITY OF THE PHONG BAC SCHOOL AT (AT 999713). FT AMBUSH ESTABLISHED AT (AT 994707) FROM 152300H TO 160630H. 1 ROUND OF SNIPER FIRE WAS RECEIVED. POSITION OF ENEMY COULD NOT BE DETERMINED. FIRE WAS NOT RETURNED.

3. PLANS SUMMARY. 3D TANK BN (-) (REIN) (TASK GROUP ROMEO) REMAINS ON 2 HOUR ALERT PREPARED TO EXECUTE TANK BN OP ORDER 2 - 66 ON ORDER.

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 120 AS OF 172400H MAY 1966.

1. HIGHLIGHTS. NO SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY.

2. OPERATIONS. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION IS (BT051731). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD IS PROVIDED FROM 171800H TO 180700H IN SUPPORT OF PF SQUAD FOR THE SECURITY OF PHON BAC SCHOOL. SQUAD LOCATION: (AT 999713). A FIRETEAM PATROL DEPARTED THE PHON BAC SCHOOL AT 162200H AND PATROLLED THE VILLAGE OF PHON BAC (GS9971) UNTIL 170700H. NO ENEMY CONTACT.

3. PLANS SUMMARY. 3D TK BN (-) (REIN) (TASK GROUP ROMEO) REMAINS ON A SIX HOUR ALERT PREPARED TO EXECUTE 3D TK BN OPERATION ORDER 2-66 ON ORDER.

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 121 AS OF 182400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS. AT 181330H A HELICOPTER FLYING NEAR THE D/1/9 COMPANY POSITION (AT 965603) RECEIVED SNIPER FIRE. TANKS IN SUPPORT OF COMPANY D DELIVERED 350 RDS OF 30 CAL AND 100 RDS OF 50 CAL ON SNIPER POSITION. NO ENEMY CASUALTY ASSESSMENT.

2. OPERATIONS. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION (BT 051731). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD IS PROVIDED FROM 181800H TO 190700H IN SUPPORT OF A PF FOR THE SECURITY OF THE PHONG BAC SCHOOL. (AT 999713). TWO FIRETEAMS PATROLLED PHONG BAC VILLAGE (GS 9971) FROM 172000H TO 180100H, NO ENEMY CONTACT.

3. PLANS SUMMARY. 3D TANK BN (-) (REIN) (TASK GROUP BOMBO) REMAINS ON A 6 HOUR ALERT PREPARED TO EXECUTE 3D TANK BN OP ORDER 2 - 66 ON ORDER.

4. MISCELLANEOUS. NEGATIVE

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A. AT 190720H FIVE TANKS AND THREE LVT'S WITH PROVISIONAL INFANTRY PLATOON MOVED TO BLOCKING POSITION AT (AT987745) AND PREPARED TO EXECUTE 3D TK BN OP ORD 2-66.

B. ONE TANK IN SUPPORT OF K/3/9 AT (AT987745) OBSERVED ONE VC AT (BT098658) AND DELIVERED 300 CAL 30 ROUNDS AT VC POSITION. RESULTS UNDETERMINED.

2. OPERATIONS.

A. AT 191017H A TANK WITH INFANTRY SUPPORT ASSUMED A BLOCKING POSITION AT AT986775. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION IS (BT051731). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD IS PROVIDED FROM 191800H TO 200700H IN SUPPORT OF A PF SQUAD FOR THE SECURITY OF PHON BAC SCHOOL (AT999713). A FIRETEAM AMBUSH POSITIONED AT (AT998713) FROM 182300H TO 190600H. NO ENEMY CONTACT.

3. **PLANS SUMMARY.** 3D TK BN (-) (REIN) (TASK GROUP ~~ROBRO~~) REMAINS ON ALERT TO EXECUTE 3D TK BN OP ORD 2-66 ON ORDER.

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3D TANK BN SITREP NUMBER 123 AS OF 202400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS

A. AT 200400H COC REPORTED 2 TKS WERE ATTACKED BY A VC COMPANY WITH MORTARS AND AT WPNS. CONSIDERABLE DAMAGE RESULTED TO BOTH TKS. USMC CASUALTIES, 1 KIA, 4 WIA. 9 VC KIA BC.

B. AT 201935H A TK IN A ROADBLOCK POSN AT (AT 986775) WAS MOVED TO A NEW POSN AT (AT 973767).

2. **OPERATIONS.** ONE PROVISIONAL INF SQD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED F/DEF OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQD POSN (BT 051731) FIVE TKS AND 3 LVT'S W/PROVISIONAL INF PLT IN BLOCKING POSN AT (AT 985745) PREPARED TO EXEC 3D TANK BN OP O 2-66. FR 192300H-200700H A FT PATROL PATROLLED PHONG BAC. NO ENEMY CONTACT.

3. **PLANS SUMMARY.** #DTKBN(-)(RAIN)(TASK GROUP ROMEO) REMAINS ON ALERT TO EXEC #DTKBN OP O 2-66 ON ORDER.

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 124 AS OF 212400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS

A. AT 211450H CO A REPORTED TWO TANKS WITH INFANTRY HAD ENGAGED ONE VC PLATOON SOUTH OF HILL 22. EXACT COORDINATES UNKNOWN. COMMUNICATIONS WITH THE ENGAGED TANKS WERE LOST AND HAD NOT BEEN RESTORED AT THE END OF THE REPORTING PERIOD.

2. OPERATIONS

A. AT 211015H TWO 90 MM TANKS AND TWO FLAME TANKS ESTABLISHED A ROADBLOCK 200 METERS SOUTH OF INTERSECTION AT (048763).

B. AT 211040H ONE TANK MOVED TO (043621) WITH H/2/9 TO ESTABLISH A ROAD BLOCK.

C. AT 211550H 3D TK BN ASSUMED OPCON OF TEAM C (TASK FORCE ROMEO). TEAM LOCATION: (983745).

3. PLANS SUMMARY. 3D TK BN (-) (REIN) (TASK GROUP ROMEO) REMAINS ON ALERT TO EXECUTE 3D TK BN OP ORD 2-66 ON ORDER.

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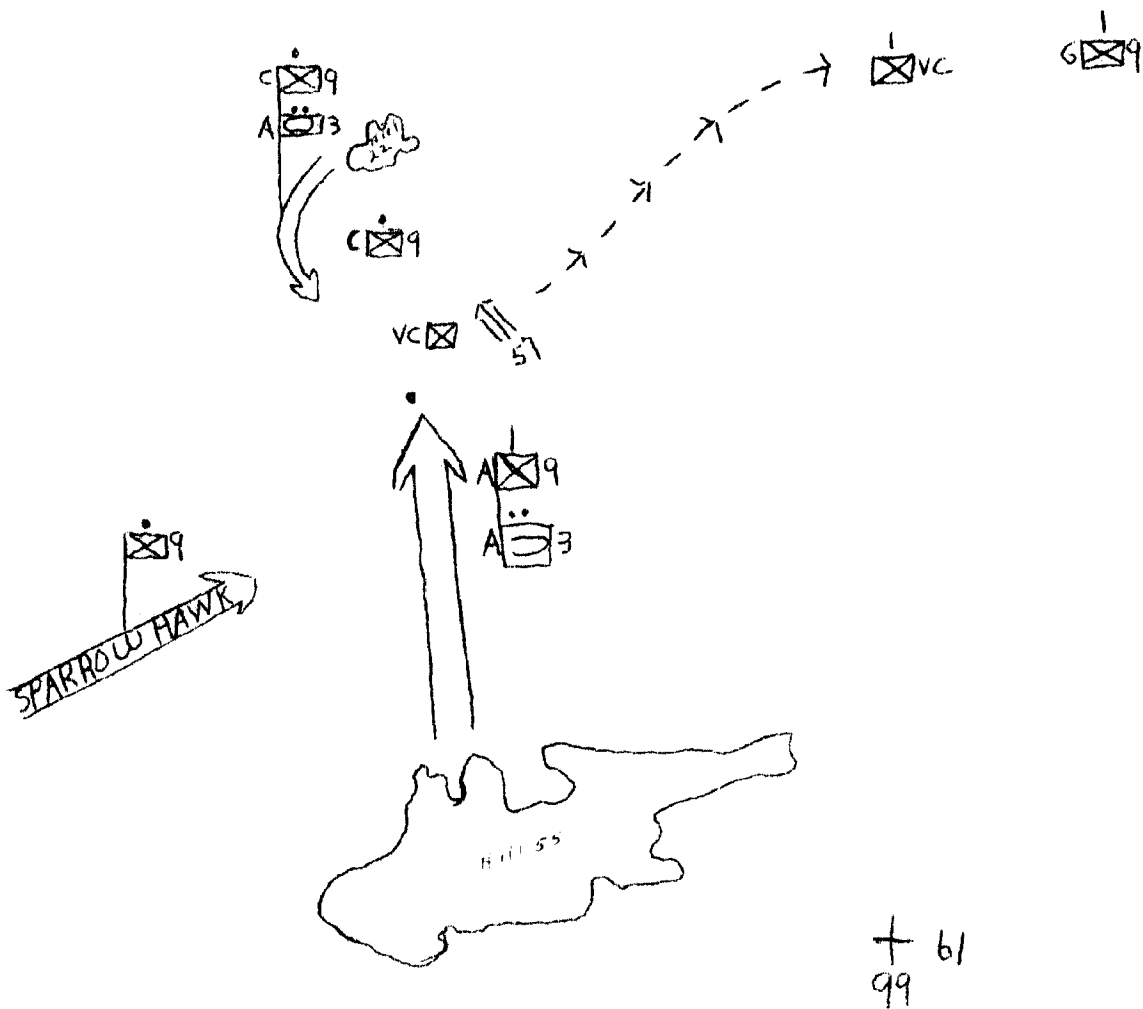
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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 125 AS OF 222400H MAY 1966.

1. HIGHLIGHTS.

A. FINAL REPORT OF CO A ACTION SOUTH OF HILL 22 ON 21 MAY (SEE 3D TK BN SITREP #124) CREDITS THE TWO TANKS INVOLVED WITH TWO 57MM RR DESTROYED, 28 SVC KIA. USMC CASUALTIES: 2 WIA. ONE MINOR, ONE MED EVAC.

2. OPERATIONS. AT 221815H TWO CO B TANKS MOVED TO (033643) AND ESTABLISHED A ROADBLOCK. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION (BT 051731).

3. PLANS SUMMARY. 3D TK BN (-) (REIN) TASK GROUP ROMEO) REMAINS ON ALERT TO EXECUTE 3D TK BN OP ORD 2-66 ON ORDER.

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CONFIDENTIAL**3D TANK BN SITREP NUMBER 126 AS OF 232400H MAY 1966**

1. HIGHLIGHTS. FINAL RPT FR COA REGARDING ACTION AT HILL 55 ON 20MAY. 2 TKS FR 3DPLT COA LEFT HILL 55 IN SPT A, 1/9 TO FORM A BLOCKING FORCE F/ACTION ON HILL 22. (SEE #DTKEN SITREP #125-66). THE TK INF TEAM WAS ENGAGED FR 201430H TO 201800H IN GS 9562, 9662, 9563, 9663. TKS WERE CREDITED W/20 VC KIA AND 3 VC WIA.

2. OPERATIONS. ONE PROV INF SQD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED F/DEF OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQD POSN (BT 051731). ONE PROV INF SQD PROVIDED IN SPT OF PF SQD AT PHONG BAC SCOL.

3. PLANS SUMMARY. #DTKEN(-)(Rein)(TASK GROUP HOME) REMAINS ON ALERT TO EXEC #DTKEN OF 0 2-66 ON ORDER.

4. ME CELLANEOUS. NEG.

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 127 AS OF 242400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS

A. AT 211450H 2 TKS IN SUPPORT OF C/1/9 AT (AT 957660) ENGAGED IN A FIRE FIGHT WITH APPROXIMATELY 1 VC COMPANY. FINAL VC CASUALTIES 32 KIA (BC) CREDITED TO TANKS.

B. AT 232140H COMPANY B CP RECEIVED 50 ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE. TWENTY FIVE ROUNDS OF 50 CALIBER, 30 ROUNDS OF 30 CALIBER AND ONE ROUND OF 90MM CANNISTER WERE RETURNED BY A TANK. NO ENEMY CASUALTY ASSESSMENT.

C. AT 232200H A TANK ON THE BATTALION PERIMETER AT (AT 989708) USED IT'S SEARCHLIGHT TO ILLUMINATE ACTIVITY IN THE VICINITY OF GS (AT 9869) BY REFLECTING THE LIGHT BEAM OFF THE CLOUDS. AN AO ON STATION REPORTED 12 TO 15 PERSONS BELIEVED TO BE HOLDING A VILLAGE MEETING. NO FURTHER ACTION WAS TAKEN.

TANK BOX SCORESNUMBER MISSIONSSUPPORTING

<u>OBS</u>	<u>UNOBS</u>	<u>H&I</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1			1

<u>MAF</u>	<u>RVN</u>	<u>OTHER</u>
1		

ROUNDS EXPENDED

<u>HE</u>	<u>WP</u>	<u>CANNISTER</u>
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90MM	1
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2. OPERATIONS. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR THE DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION (BT 051731). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD PROVIDED IN SUPPORT OF PF SQUAD AT PHONG BAC SCHOOL LOCATED AT (AT 999713).

3. PLANS SUMMARY. 3D TANK BN (-) (REIN) (TASK GROUP ROMEO) REMAIN ON ALERT TO EXECUTE 3D TK BN OP ORDER 2 - 66 ON ORDER

4. MISCELLANEOUS. NEGATIVE

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3D TANK BN SITREP NUMBER 128 AS OF 252400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS.

A. LATE REPORT. AT 241715H THE G-2-4 CP (BT 066643) RECEIVED 7 ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE. A TANK FROM COMPANY "B" IN SUPPORT OF THE INFANTRY RETURNED 75 CALIBER 50 ROUNDS. A SEARCH OF THE AREA BY TANKS REVEALED NEGATIVE RESULTS.

2. OPERATIONS.

A. CG 3DMARDIV MSG 241550Z DIRECTED TASK GROUP ROMEO TO STAND DOWN FROM ALERT STATUS.

B. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR DEFENSE OF DA NANG AIR BASE. SQD POSN (BT 051731)

C. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQD PROVIDED IN SUPPORT OF P.F.'S FOR DEFENSE OF PHONG BAC SCHOOL (AT 999713) FROM 241830H TO 250700H. NO ENEMY CONTACT.

3. PLANS SUMMARY. CONTINUE TANK COMBAT SUPPORT FOR 3D MARDIV.**4. MISCELLANEOUS. RELATIVE.**

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3D TANK BN SITREP NUMBER 129 AS OF 262400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS.

A. AT 261030H WHILE CONDUCTING A SWEEP IN (GS 9565) WITH 30PF. AND A SQUAD FROM C-1-9 TWO TANKS RECEIVED SNIPER FIRE FROM A HOUSE. TANKS RETURNED 4 RDS 90MM HE AND DESTROYED THE HOUSE. 1 VC KIA BC AND 1 VCC CAPTURED.

B. AT ~~260720H~~ 260720H 5 GUN TANKS AND 1 FLAME TANK FROM CO"B", OPERATING WITH K-3-9 AT (BT114635) OBSERVED 1 VC WITH WEAPON. EXPENDED 200 CAL 50. RESULTS UNK. AT 260900H SPOTTED 2 VC AT (BT114635) FIRED 1 90MM CANNISTER AND 1 90MM HE, 2 VC KIA (POSS). BIAD TANK DESTROYED 10 MAN TRAPS AND FILLED IN 150 METERS OF TRENCH LINE IN THIS VICINITY. AT 261230H OBSERVED 4 VC AT (BT 106641). EXPENDED 6 90MM HE, 2 90MM WP AND 150 CAL 30, 4 VC KIA. WHILE IN ROUTE BACK TO K-3-9 CP RECEIVED INTENSE A. W. FIRE AT (BT 107651) EXPENDED 9 90MM HE, 3 90MM CANNISTER AND 2700 CAL 30. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

TANKBOX SCORESNUMBER MISSIONSSUPPORTING

<u>OBS</u>	<u>UNOBS</u>	<u>H&I</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>MAF</u>	<u>RVN</u>	<u>OTHER</u>
5			5	5		

ROUNDS EXPENDED

<u>HE</u>	<u>WP</u>	<u>CANNISTER</u>
20	2	4

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2. OPERATIONS ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR THE DEFENSE OF THE DEFENSE OF DA NANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITIONED (BT051731). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD PROVIDED IN SUPPORT OF PF SQUAD AT PHONG BAC SCHOOL LOCATED AT(AT999713). ONE FIRE TEAM AMBUSH AT PHONG BAC LOCATED AT(AT9971) FROM 282300H TO 28260300H.

3. PLANS SUMMARY. CONTINUE TANK COMBAT SUPPORT FOR 3d MAR DIV.

4. MISCELLANEOUS. NEGATIVE.

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 130 AS OF 272400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS

A. WHILE IN SUPPORT OF G/2/4 GRID SQUARE (BT 0860) AT 272030H TWO TANKS FROM COMPANY "B" 3D TANK BATTALION RECEIVED 20 ROUNDS OF SMALL ARMS FIRE. TANKS RETURNED 70 ROUNDS 30 CALIBER, 1 ROUND 90MM HE AND 2 ROUNDS OF 90MM WP. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

B. TANK BOX SCORESNUMBER MISSIONSSUPPORTING

<u>OBS</u>	<u>UNOBS</u>	<u>H&I</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1			1

<u>MAP</u>	<u>RVN</u>	<u>OTHER</u>
1		

ROUNDS EXPENDED

<u>HE</u>	<u>WP</u>	<u>CANNISTER</u>
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90MM	1	2
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2. OPERATIONS. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR THE DEFENSE OF THE DANANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION (BT 051731). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD PROVIDED IN SUPPORT OF PF SQUAD AT PHONG BAC SCHOOL (AT 999713) FROM 271830 TO 280630H.

3. PLANS SUMMARY. CONTINUE TANK COMBAT SUPPORT FOR 3D MARDIV

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4. MISCELLANEOUS. TWO TANKS FROM COMPANY "A" PARTICIPATED IN GUNNERY PRACTICE FROM 271300H TO 271500H AT (AT 898714). 23 ROUNDS OF 90MM WP AND 19 ROUNDS OF 90MM HE EXPENDED.

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 131 AS OF 282400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS

A. AT 280915H ONE TANK FROM "B" COMPANY LOCATED AT (BT 085616) FIRED 4 ROUNDS 90MM HE AND 1 ROUND 90MM WP AT SNIPERS LOCATED AT (BT 098614). NEGATIVE RESULTS.

B. AT 281100H A TANK FROM "B" COMPANY ON PATROL WITH ELEMENTS OF "K" 3/9 RECEIVED SNIPER FIRE AT (BT 098644) AND RETURNED 1 90MM WP. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

C. AT 281845H TANKS FROM "B" COMPANY LOCATED AT "K" 3/9 CP RECEIVED INTENSIVE AUTOMATIC WEAPONS FIRE. TANKS RETURNED FIRE WITH 11 ROUNDS 90MM WP, 19 ROUNDS 90MM HE, 1 ROUND 90MM CANNISTER, AND 500 ROUNDS OF 30 CALIBER. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

D. TANK BOX SCORESNUMBER MISSIONSSUPPORTING

OBS UNOBS H&I TOTAL

MAF RVN OTHER

3 3

3

ROUNDS EXPENDED

HE WP CANNISTER

90MM 23 13 1

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2. OPERATIONS. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR THE DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION (BT 051731). ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD PROVIDED IN SUPPORT OF PF SQUAD AT PHONG BAC SCHOOL (AT 999713) FROM 281830H TO 290700H.

3. PLANS SUMMARY. CONTINUE TANK COMBAT SUPPORT FOR 3D MARDIV

4. MISCELLANEOUS. NEGATIVE

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 132 AS OF 292400H MAY 1966.

1. HIGHLIGHTS.

A. AT 290945H WHILE ON SWEEP WITH ELEMENTS OF K/3/9 TWO CO B TANKS FIRED AT (AT 115649). EXPENDED TWO 90 MM WP AND 300 CAL 30 AT 4 VC. RESULTS: 1 VC KIA (POSS).

B. AT 291330H WHILE IN SUPPORT OF G/2/9 TWO CO B TANKS RECEIVED SNIPER FIRE FROM VILLAGE OF QUANG DONG 1 (GRID SQUARE 9960). TANKS RETURNED FIRE WITH 12 90 MM CANNISTER 1000 CAL 30 AND 50 CAL 50 ROUNDS. RESULTS UNKNOWN.

2. TANK BOX SCORES.NUMBER MISSIONSSUPPORTINGROUNDS EXPENDED

OBSERVED- 5

MAF

90 MM CANNISTER- 4
90MM HE -20
90 MM WP -2

3. OPERATIONS. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION (BT 051731).

4. PLANS SUMMARY. CONTINUE TANK COMBAT SUPPORT FOR 3D MAR DIV.

5. MISCELLANEOUS. NEGATIVE.

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 133 AS OF 302400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS. AT 291600H A PLATOON OF TANKS FROM CO C IN SUPPORT OF ELEMENTS OF 2/1 DELIVERED 30 ROUNDS OF 90 MM HE AND 20 ROUNDS OF 90 MM WP ON A VILLAGE AT (YD 525288) THAT WAS HARBORING VC WHO WERE DELIVERING FIRE ON FRIENDLY INFANTRY. NO ENEMY CASUALTY ASSESMENT AVAILABLE.

2. TANK BOX SCORE.

NUMBER MISSIONS
OBSERVED- 1

SUPPORTING
MAP

90 MM ROUNDS EXPENDED
30 HE
20 WP

3. OPERATIONS. 3D TK BN CONTINUES SUPPORT OF 3D MAR DIV. ONE PROVISIONAL INFANTRY SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR DEFENSE OF DANANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION:(BT 051731). AT 301815H A CO A TANK DETONATED A MINE AT (979622) WHILE IN SUPPORT OF 1/9. LEFT SIDE SUSPENSION SYSTEM DAMAGED.

4. PLANS SUMMARY. CONTINUE TANK COMBAT SUPPORT OF 3D MAR DIV.

5. MISCELLANEOUS. NEGATIVE.

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3D TK BN SITREP NUMBER 134 AS OF 312400H MAY 1966

1. HIGHLIGHTS. NO SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY
2. OPERATIONS.

A. AT 310615H WHILE IN SUPPORT OF 2-1 TANK FROM COMPANY "C" DETONATED MINE AT (YD524308) MODERATE DAMAGE TO SUSPENSION SYSTEM.

B. AT 011600H WHILE IN SUPPORT OF F-2-9 TWO MARINES FROM COMPANY "B" WOUNDED BY AP MINE AT (BT007622) (NON-MEDEVAC).

C. ONE PROVISIONAL SQUAD CONTINUES TO BE PROVIDED FOR DEFENSE OF BA NANG AIR BASE. SQUAD POSITION (BT051731). ONE PROVISIONAL SQUAD PROVIDED IN SUPPORT OF PF SQUAD AT PHONG BAC SCHOOL AT (AT999713).

3. PLANS SUMMARY. CONTINUE TANK COMBAT SUPPORT FOR 3D MAR DIV.

4. MISCELLANEOUS. WHILE IN SUPPORT OF A-1-3 TWO COMPANY "A" FLAME TANKS BURNED IN AREA AT (AT885773).

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