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1st Marine Division (Reinforced), FMF
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

<u>DESIGNATION</u>	<u>COMMANDER</u>	<u>DATE</u>
Headquarters Battalion (Rein), 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF	Colonel W. S. FAGAN USMC Colonel N. A. CANZONA USMCR	1-27 March 28-31 March

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Communication Company	Maj C. J. McDONALD, JR. USMC Maj R. E. SWARTWOOD USMC	1-25 March 26-31 March
Headquarters Company	Capt P. C. A. GRAUERT USMC	1-31 March
Military Police Company	LtCol W. P. CORSKI USMC	1-31 March
Service Company	Capt K. J. CHANDLER USMC	1-31 March

ATTACHED UNITS

1st Dental Company	Capt J. W. PENTECOST USN	1-31 March
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2. LOCATION

1-31 March 1969, DA HANG TAOR, Republic of Vietnam

3. STAFF OFFICERS

EXECUTIVE OFFICER	LtCol R. B. RANCK USMC	1-31 March
ADJUTANT	Capt T. J. SHERIDAN USMC	1-31 March
OPERATIONS OFFICER	Maj F. P. ELLER, JR. USMC Maj N. E. BIRD USMC	1-6 March 7-31 March
LOGISTICS OFFICER	Maj R. L. BOWERSOX USMC Capt W. T. BASCHNAGEL USMC	1-23 March 24-31 March
CIVIC ACTION OFFICER	SSgt C. E. ASDOT USMC 1stLt D. INGEGNO USMC	1-9 March 10-31 March
SUPPLY OFFICER	Capt W. T. BASCHNAGEL USMC 1stLt W. W. STEVENS USMC	1-23 March 24-31 March
MOTOR TRANSPORT OFFICER	1stLt G. A. BRUCE USMC	1-31 March
LEGAL OFFICER	CWO2 H. S. HALE USMC	1-31 March
EMBARK OFFICER	1stLt E. S. WILSON USMC	1-31 March
SPECIAL SERVICES OFFICER	2ndLt B. A. FRYHOVER USMC Capt T. J. SHERIDAN USMC	1-5 March 6-31 March
MEDICAL OFFICER	Lt H. A. BENLER USN	1-5 March
CHAPLAIN	Lt E. J. ENGLISH USN Lt F. D. THOMPSON, JR. USN	6-31 March 1-31 March

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USMC		USN		OTHER	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
266	1703	36	79	0	0

PART II
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. Headquarters Battalion (Reinforced) continued to provide administrative, communications, service and military police support to the 1st Marine Division. Security for the Division command post was provided, and Civic Action programs were conducted. The division command post was subjected to one mortar attack and perimeter defensive positions were harrassed by small arms fire on several occasions. The attached Dental Company provided dental support throughout the division TAOR and participated in unit civic action programs.

PART III
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1-31 Mar Communication Company provided radio relay teams to each of the following units: 1st Marine Regiment, 3rd Amphibian Tractor Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment and 7th Marine Regiment. A radio retransmission team operated at Hai Van Pass.
- 1 Mar Enemy sniper activity was reported in the Dai La Pass area. A sweep was conducted with negative results.
- 1 Mar The Da Son hamlet (AT 960765) Popular Force unit, accompanied by four Marines, killed 2 NVA's and captured the following equipment: 5 B40 rockets, 4 satchel charges, 2 Chicom grenades, 3 magazines, one cartridge belt and assorted bandages and tapes.
- 2 Mar The Da Son hamlet (AT 960765) Popular Force unit, accompanied by one Marine killed two NVA's and captured one NVA.
- 2 Mar A basic English class was conducted at Hoa My school.
- 7 Mar A cordon and search operation was conducted at Da Son hamlet using the Subsector B Reaction Company, the 1st Provisional Rifle Company, the 2nd Provisional Rifle Company and 2 platoons of Popular Force soldiers. The results were negative.
- 7-8 Mar Communication Company installed a dial system in the 11th Marines area.

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- 9 Mar A basic English class was conducted at Hoa My school.
- 11 Mar Communication Company installed a dial system in the 7th Comm area.
- 12 Mar Communication Company installed a dial system in the 3rd MP area.
- 12 Mar The Commanding Officer of Headquarters Battalion and the civic action officer presented twelve General Walt Scholarships to the students of Hoa My hamlet.
- 16 Mar A basic English class was conducted at Hoa My school.
- 18 Mar Financial Inspection held at Battalion Supply. Noteworthy results.
- 20 Mar Approximately 8 rounds of 82mm mortar impacted within the Division command post resulting in 2 KIA, 2 WIAE, 3 WIANE. It was determined that the fire came from positions at AT 927754.
- 21 Mar One round 82mm mortar impacted at AT 953746, causing no damage or casualties. The firing position was unknown.
- 23 Mar A basic English class was conducted at Hoa My school.
- 23 Mar A combined force of Popular Forces, U. S. Advisors, Phsycological Warfare personnel, Armed Forces Police, the Division MP Company and the 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines conducted a search and clear operation in the Red Beach area. The results are as follows:
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|------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 49 Marines apprehended | 50 blankets |
| 1 Civilian G-S11 apprehended | 2 boxes of jungle boots |
| 5 ARVNs - suspected UAs | 2 M-1 carbines |
| 100 sets of jungle utilities | 4 M-26 hand grenades |
- 23-31 Mar Communication Company provided a radio retransmission team to 7th Marine Regiment.
- 26 Mar Approximately 200 pounds of clothing were distributed to the school children and five poor families in Hoa My hamlet.
- 28 Mar A search and clear operation was conducted in the Hoa Phat - "Four Corners" area which resulted in the apprehension of 19 UA Marines. This force consisted of Popular Forces, U. S. Advisors, Armed Forces Police, Division MP Company and the 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines.
- 30 Mar A basic English class was conducted at Hoa My school.

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PART IV
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Subsector "B" daily journal.

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JOURNAL		SUBSECTOR "B", NSDC & HQBN FROM 1 March 1969 0700		
		TO 2 March 1969 0700		
TIME		SER NO	INCIDENT, MSG'S, LTR'S ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN M-map S-staff T-troops F-file
IN	OUT			
0700		1	Log opened.	S
0820		2	<i>hamlet defense</i> Da Son PF unit, a 2 platoon and a squad from 11th MTBn commenced a sweep of Khanh Son Hamlet (AT950766).	S
0830		3	26th Marines conducted an internal and external sweep of their defensive area with negative results. Notified NSDC.	S
0850		4	RUDDER PAPA departed on patrol.	S
0920		5	Security Platoon, Dai La Pass, reported that an ARVN on a motor bike had been hit by a vehicle. A future check showed that he had been shot by a sniper from an unknown position. Notified NSDC. Notified 1stMarDiv MP's. Sent ambulance but ARVN was dead.	S
1115		6	A truck driving along the road, vicinity 945754, received several rounds of sniper fire. Driver abandon vehicle for cover. Notified NSDC. A reaction squad sent to check out area of accident. Driver taken to Regimental Aid station for a check.	S
1115		7	Lt. MADDEN, vicinity 939752, was shot at by sniper fire, vicinity 943753. Lt MADDEN sent squad to cover hill. S-3 sent sniper team out to Dai La Pass. Also two squads from Security Platoon sent to the pass to assist. Notified NSDC.	S
1145		8	LCpl HALE, vicinity 941753, stepped outside bunker and received 2 incoming SA rounds near bunker. Fire came from coordinates 943753. A squad is checking it out and a sniper team is on the way to Dai La Pass. Notified NSDC.	S

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		TO 2 March 1969 0700	
TIME		SER NO	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT		
			INCIDENT, MSG'S, LTR'S ORDERS, ETC.
1150		9	Scout sniper team arrived at the Dai La Pass area. S
1200		10	RUDDER PAPA returned from patrol. Blew up 5 duds illumination rounds. S
1200		11	Patrol was sent out with an EOD team to destroy arty rounds which were found yesterday at above coordinate. EOD blew up approximately 55 rounds of illumination duds. Notified NSDC. S
1215		12	Battalion Executive Officer departed to take over sweep operation at Dai La Pass. S
1230		13	Sweep completed. Negative results. (See 0820 entry). S
1310		14	Mustering the 2nd Provisional Rifle Company to conduct a sweep at the Dai La Pass Area. S
1320		15	Lt MADDEN called and stated that Lt WESTMORE of 2/7, S-3, is investigating the possibility that the ARVN may have been shot by one of our own troops. S
1335		16	2nd Provisional Rifle Company arrived at the Dai La Pass area. S
1500		17	The Da Son Hamlet (AT960765) PF unit, accompanied by 4 USMC, made contact with 2 enemy concealed in a sniper hole. Fire was exchanged and the 2 enemy were killed. Enemy was killed. Spider hole was searched, resulting in captured weapons, ammunition and equipment. Captured equipment consisted of: 5 B40 rockets, 1 cartridge belt with 2 Chicom grenades and 1 Chexk grenade, 3 loaded AK47 magazines, 4 satchel charges, and assorted bandages and tapes. Notified NSDC. S

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IN	OUT			
1630		18	Hillside vicinity AT942752, area from which sniper fire was received earlier today, was cordoned off and searched by a composite company sized unit from Headquarters Battalion, from 1330 until 1630, with negative results.	S
1720		19	A woman from Khan Son village, 958766, told interpreter there would be VC returning to the village tonight. Notified NSDC.	S
1800		20	Set Condition II and unless otherwise directed, set Condition III at 0630 tomorrow. All units notified.	S
1815		21	Following intelligence report received from NSDC: From: 26th Marines, To: Division G-2, Rating: F-6: An ARVN interpreter was told by a Vietnamese girl that VC were in her village at AT958766. The villagers were digging holes and filling sandbags, also.	S
1930		22	NSDC passed the following intelligence report: From: 2/7, To: Division, Rating: Not rated: "An estimated 300 enemy are located vicinity AT945730".	S
2125		23	PPS-6 picked up movement of 3 to 4 enemy. Fired 60mm HE. Will sweep in A.M. Notified NSDC.	S
2125		24	AT 946755 26TH MAR 946755, heard movement at grid 946752 and flare was triped. Threw 2 grenades and fired M60 machine gun. Will sweep in morning.	S
2140		25	NSDC call and ask to clear AT 952738, FOR HE ARVN.	S
2140		26	Call NSDC and clear AT 952738.	S

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IN	OUT			
		SUBSECTOR "B", NSDC & HQBN FROM 2 March 1969 0700		
		TO 3 March 1969 0700		
JOURNAL				
0700		1	Log opened.	S
1300		2	ALA KING PAPA departed on patrol.	TM
1300		3	Eleven of the 11th Marines trip flares were found to have been disarmed. The wire which had been placed in a ditch fifty meters from the position had been removed. The trip wires were cut and tied around flares. They used bamboo sticks as safety pins. Lt MOLEN, 11th Marines, replaced their flares and put out new wire. Notified NSDC.	S
1405		4	While conducting an inspection of the Division Defensive Wire - Found one NVA lying on wire near A-10 position.	S
1430		5	ALA KING PAPA returned from patrol - NEGATIVE RESULTS.	TM
1600		6	The 11th Marines S-5 was visiting the Pig Farm at coordinates 961762, when four enemy were attempting to enter village. S-5 was alerted by PF and the enemy was taken under fire. Two KIA and one WIA, in hands of the PF. Enemy wore blue shirts and black trousers. Notified NSDC.	S
0122		7	MP Company LP observed a trip flare go off near 11th Marines perimeter. Opened fire with negative results.	S
0630		8	Set Condition III.	S
	0700	9	Log closed.	S
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IN	OUT			
		SUBSECTOR "B", NSDC & HQBN FROM 3 March 1969 0700		
		JOURNAL		
		TO 4 March 1969 0700		
0700		1	Log opened.	S
1100		2	RUDDER PAPA departed on Patrol.	TM
1345		3	MASS-2 is conducting a sweep around their CP area.	S
1600		4	RUDDER PAPA returned from patrol. NEGATIVE results.	TM
1630		5	MASS-2 returned from sweep with the following result: While sweeping the area toward the Pistol Range, they came on a trail which was booby trapped. Destroyed booby trap and continued along the road and found more trails. Received what sounded like small arms fire (carbine). Threw hand grenade and firing ceased. Checked area with negative results. Notified NSDC.	S
1820		6	Set Condition II.	S
2245		7	11th Marines Post #2, 958760, observed 3 unidentified figures move from a tree line, 959761. Shortly thereafter, a booby trap (M-26 frag rigged with trip wire), which the 11th Marines had set out, was detonated. Post #2 then received approximately 12 incoming small arms rounds (high) and returned fire. Then more booby traps were detonated. Area was illuminated but unable to observe any movement. Notified NSDC.	S
0025		8	11th Marines Post #2, AT958760, observed a trip flare set off. Friendly fire was delivered on the area. Notified NSDC.	S
0057		9	NSDC called to pass on the following information: From: IIMAF COC, FIRE ARROW/032215 H Mar69; QUANG NGAI air strip received 6 unknown type	

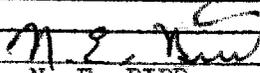
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IN	OUT			
1257		9	chemical rounds (believed to be CS). Second time this week it has happened. Accompanied by 6 rockets. Still receiving incoming at this time. Advise units to be prepared for this type attack. Notified all units on ridgeline of same.	S
0320		10	NSDC called, reported 11th Marines Post #4 spotted a man running, vicinity AT960756, who tripped a trip flare and the post opened fire. Will sweep area in the morning.	S
0635		11	An 8 man patrol left the CP to check flares and surprise firing devices in front of their wire. The patrol was from 11th Marines. When the patrol got into the tree line they received 10 to 15 rounds of small arms fire from coordinates 957762. A further check of their wire resulted in finding five holes freshly dug under the wire at coordinate 954761. They were 15 to 20 yards apart, 3 to 6 inches across, and 2 to 3 feet deep. Patrol returned the fire on snipers filled in the holes, and returned to CP at 0750. Notified NSDC.	S
0640		12	11th Motor Transport Battalion reported observing 6 rockets impact at coordinates AT945765 and AT942763. No casualties or damage to equipment. Notified NSDC.	S
0640		13	This is a follow-up to above entry. A crater was found inside of the LIMTBn Camp, about 30 meters from their ammo bunker. No casualties or material damage. Crater is being analyzed to determine type of rocket. Notified NSDC.	S
0640		14	Set Condition III.	S

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		TO 5 March 1969 0700		
TIME		SER NO	INCIDENT, MSG'S, LTR'S ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN M-map S-staff T-troops F-file
IN	OUT			
0700		1	Log opened.	S
0937		2	RUDDER PAPA departed on patrol.	TM
1106		3	RUDDER PAPA returned from patrol. Negative results.	TM
1250		4	COSSACK PAPA departed on patrol.	TM
1440		5	A-3 reported seeing a civilian moving approximately one to two hundred meters in front of his position moving west. He was running and ducking; he had no weapon but was wearing a helmet. Lost sight of him, but will keep area under close observation. Notified NSDC.	S
1640		6	COSSACK PAPA returned from patrol. Negative results.	TM
1800		7	Set Condition II. All units notified.	S
1940		8	Sgt CLARK of 1st ReconBn called and said they spotted 1 person at grid coordinate 958754. They spotted him by firing an illumination pop up. Fired small arms with negative results. Notified NSDC.	S
2105		9	11th Marines reported that three of their booby traps (M-26 frag grenades, rigged with trip wires) and several trip flares were set off at the grid coordinate AT958762. Observed area under illumination with negative results. Notified NSDC.	S
2115		10	A sentry dog in the MASS-3 sector was alerted to a scent coming from in front of the line, vicinity of positions B-6 and B-7. M-79 and M-60 fire was delivered on the suspect area and frag grenades were thrown also. Notified NSDC. Will check in AM.	S

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			TO 6 March 1969 0700		
TIME		SER NO	INCIDENT, MSG'S, LTR'S ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	
IN	OUT			M-map	S-staff
0700		1	Log opened.		S
0705		2	Band Sector reported that position A-3 reported receiving two rounds (small arms) from unknown location. Position A-4 stated that he heard the rounds also. Notified NSDC.		S
0840		3	ROAD TEST PAPA departed on patrol.		TM
1010		4	ROAD TEST PAPA returned from patrol. Neg results.		TM
1800		5	Set Condition II. All units notified.		S
2025		6	11th Marines reported posts #G-2 and G-3 observed 4 men crawling towards defensive wire. Delivered SA and M79. Observed one man run towards tree-line. Notified NSDC.		S
2030		7	Security Platoon received grenades and small arms fire from the rear at Dai La Pass. Notified NSDC.		S
2035		8	Lt PETERSEN, NSDC, called and will give illumination at Dai La Pass.		S
2035		9	Requested a flare ship through MASS-3, and requested 26th Marines to control it.		S
2040		10	Lt PETERSEN, NSDC, called and after the first few rounds if we need adjustment, call him.		S
2040		11	11th Marines observed 1 man at edge of tree-line, AT 958761. Observed him with M14 scope. Fired at him and he fell. Crawled to tree-line out of observation. Notified NSDC.		S

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2052		12	Mass-3 reported that they observed flash and lights in the vicinity of 950730. Called NSDC and asked them to check with BSDC.	S
2250		13	11th Marines reported movement sighted about 250 meters out. Illumination was sent up and approximately 5 SA rounds were fired. It turned out to be a dog. Notified NSDC.	S
2310		14	Secured the flareship at Dai La Pass.	S
2315		15	MASS-3 heard movement and voices in front of B-3. Sent sentry dog to position. Sentry dog sounded alert. Expanded two M-36 grenades on activity. Movement ceased. Notified NSDC.	S
0322		16	Trip flare was set off at AT958762. Neg results. Fired SA fire and threw 2 grenades. Notified NSDC.	S
0515		17	ReconBn, Post #4, AT967753, reported that 1 friendly Marine was shot by friendly . <i>Another being investigated</i> Notified NSDC.	S
0630		18	Set Condition III.	S
	0700	19	Log closed.	S
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IN	OUT			
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		TO 7 March 1969 0700		
JOURNAL				
0700		1	Log opened.	S
1100		2	RUDDER PAPA departed on patrol.	S
1335		3	RUDDER PAPA returned from patrol. Neg results.	TM
1840		4	Passed word to Security platoon that our 60mm mortar would only fire beyond Dai La Pass. 26th Marines only will fire inside the pass.	S
1845		5	Received word from 26th Marines that they now have a tank to augment their defense.	S
2030		6	Received word from 2/7 that they had Scouts and PF's setting up in vill. location, from Texaco R-1.4, up 3.2.	S
2040		7	NSDC called and asked to clear 962765 for illum canister impact. Grid cleared.	S
2200		8	Received call from 2/7 stating that 60mm fire was coming close to one of their positions. Coordinate 940750. Directed motar section to adjust fire away from that position.	S
0530		9	Units departed for cordon operation.	S
0610		10	Cordon around village completed.	S
0630		11	Set Condition III.	S
0645		12	The PF units have now started their sweep.	S
	0700	13	Log closed.	S
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			FROM	TO					
			7 March 1969	0700					
			8 March 1969	0700					
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IN	OUT			M-map	S-staff	T-troops	F-file		
0700		1	Log opened.			S			
0852		2	Operation around Da Son all secured with Negative results.			S			
0956		3	RUDDER PAPA departed on patrol.						TM
1315		4	RUDDER PAPA returned from patrol. Neg results.						TM
1800		5	Set Condition II.			S			
2215		6	Security Platoon reported 4 or 5 rounds small arms fire coming from the SW of Post D-11. Rounds passed overhead. Notified NSDC.			S			
0630		7	Set condition III.			S			
	0700	8	Log closed.			S			
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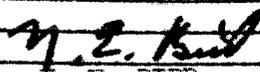
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			FROM 8 March 1969 0700		
			TO 9 March 1969 0700		
TIME		SER NO	INCIDENT, MSG'S, LTR'S ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	
IN	OUT			M-map	S-staff
0700		1	Log opened.		S
1300		2	ROAD TEST PAPA departed on patrol.		TM
1410		3	Band sector reported that while they were doing some burning in front of their position the fuel exploded and two men received some minor burns. The men were sent to sick bay to be treated.		S
1550		4	ROAD TEST PAPA returned from patrol. Neg results.		TM
1800		5	Set tactical Condition II. All units notified.		S
1805		6	Comm Center has flash message. Dispatched msg.		S
1830		7	Received classified msg 080934Z Mar69.		S
1910		8	All unit commanders and each sector on the ridge notified probability of enemy attack high between 8-12 March 1969 - Be alert!		S
1915		9	Lt LENTZ, 26th Marines requested to Test Fire M-16. A Negative.		S
1930		10	Maj BIRD approved Test Fire for 26th Marines.		S
1930		11	Liaison NCO with PF unit Da Son reports that PFs and Hamlet Chief anticipate an enemy attack from Khana Son. Notified NSDC.		S
2030		12	LtCol MARCH wanted clearance to fire arty AT955738. Granted by S-3.		S
2130		13	Lt KNAPP, 1stMedBn, made arrangement with village chief MYKO IN KOM if VC entered village tonight he would shoot white flare. Two white flares spotted at 2105 & 2125 at grid 977758. Notified S-3.		S

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IN	OUT			
2338		14	Capt FILO, HqBtry, 11th Mar, observed dog passing in front of wire by Starlight Scope. Two shots fired with Negative results. Notified NSDC.	S
0530		15	Lt KNAPP, 1stMedBn, reported that Bunker #4 spotted 5 VN, carrying something on back, walking south going North toward village of XOM. Fired 50 rounds. Notified NSDC. Will check in A.M.	S
0545		15	Lt KNAPP, 1stMedBn, also observed 2 VN moving away from Shore Party dressed in white PJs and wearing yellow covers. Did not fire. Notified NSDC.	S
0630		16	Set Condition III.	S
0700	0700	17	Log closed.	S
			<i>N. E. Bird</i>	
			N. E. BIRD	

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IN	OUT			
				SUBSECTOR "B", NSDC & HQBN FROM 9 March 1969 0700
				TO 10 March 1969 0700
JOURNAL				
0700		1	Log opened.	S
0930		2	Follow up on 1st MedEn Spot Report 090530. Checked area and found one dead and one wounded Vietnamese. Both were identified as RMK workers apparently going to work. Notified NSDC.	S
1012		3	COSSACK PAPA departed on patrol.	TM
1045		4	RUDDER PAPA departed on patrol.	TM
1120		5	FDC reports that on information they had received that there was two hundred rockets stored at the following coordinate, 947735. Have a patrol in the area checking same.	S
1155		6	COSSACK PAPA returned from patrol. Neg results.	TM
1448		7	RUDDER PAPA returned from patrol. Neg results on checking out area at coordinate 947735. Found one pack with M16 ammunition in it.	TM
1800		8	Set Condition II. All units notified.	S
2045		9	Hq 26th Marines, listening post, observed five to seven enemy moving across road toward 26th Marines. Movement picked up on PPS-6. Will engage with M79 and 60mm mortar fire when clear of listening post. Notified NSDC.	S
2240		10	26th Marines, listening post reported taking small arms fire and grenade. Saw one person by tank light wearing black PJs with no weapon. Individual took cover and was not seen again. Fired 16 rds of 60mm mortar. Notified NSDC. (this is a follow up on #9)	S

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		SUBSECTOR "B", NSDC & HQBN FROM 12 March 1969 0700		
		TO 13 March 1969 0700		
JOURNAL				
0700		1	Log opened.	S
1105		2	RUDDER PAPA departed on patrol.	TM
1230		3	HEAD COLD PAPA departed on patrol.	TM
1350		4	HEAD COLD PAPA returned from patrol. Neg results.	TM
1500		5	RUDDER PAPA returned from patrol. NEG results.	TM
1600		6	Master Sgt LITZKEY, Band line tower, 968745, spotted three groups of people at coordinates 925723 and 934721. One group contained 40 people another group contained 60 people and the other group about 120. Seem to be wearing civilian clothes and are just sitting their. Notified NSDC. Asked for AO to check it out.	S
1700		7	In reference to 1600 entry. It turned out to be 2/7 personnel.	S
1800		8	Set Condition II. All units notified.	S
0630		9	Set Condition III.	S
	0700	10	Log closed.	S
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IN	OUT			
				SUBSECTOR "B", NSDC & HQBN FROM 13 March 1969 0700
				TO 14 March 1969 0700
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0700		1	Log opened.	S
1200		2	COSSACK PAPA departed on patrol.	TM
1530		3	COSSACK PAPA returned from patrol. NEG results.	TM
1800		4	Set Condition II. All units notified.	S
1830		5	NSDC intelligence report from Bar Keep, DTG 131800 H; Text received; From same reliable source that Co. Q-84 moved into area of grid 956740. Estimated 110 infantry troops, 40 attached personnel. Suspected to have 3B-40 rockets and one machine gun. May attack area of grid 949749. Also reported to have much rice with them.	S
1950		6	MASS-3 reported receiving strong signal of Vietnamese on FM circuit, freck 52.0. Type of set is very weak, so signals must be close. Request ARVN to monitor push. Notified NSDC.	S
0630		7	Set Condition III.	S
	0700	8	Log closed.	S
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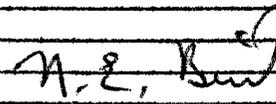
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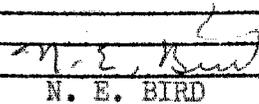
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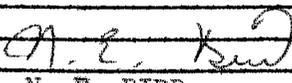
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TIME		SER NO	INCIDENT, MSG'S, LTR'S ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN M-map S-staff T-troops F-file
IN	OUT			
	0700	1	Log opened.	S
	0800	2	Lt CROSS, 11th MTEB, observed 4 or 5 rounds small arms fire impacting in compound. Fire came from old Khanh Son. Notified NSDC.	S
	0930	3	ALA KING PAPA departed on patrol.	TM
	1135	4	ALA KING PAPA returned from patrol. NEG results.	TM
	1235	5	RUDDER PAPA departed on patrol.	TM
	1545	6	RUDDER PAPA returned from patrol. NEG results.	TM
	1800	7	Set Condition II.	S
	0300	8	11th Marines ambush heard movement 100 meters to their front and received small arms fire. Returned fire. Fired pop-up illumination and saw four figures. Continued to fire small arms and M79 and pursued. Contact ceased and enemy ran into village. Notified NSDC.	S
	0630	9	Set Condition III.	S
	0700	10	Log closed.	S
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			TO 17 March 1969 0700		
TIME		SER NO	INCIDENT, MSG'S, LTR'S ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN	
IN	OUT			M-map	S-staff
0700		1	Log opened.		S
1135		2	ROAD TEST PAPA departed on patrol.		TM
1445		3	ROAD TEST PAPA returned from patrol. NEG results.		TM
1730		4	Checked all lima lines. All lines were working.		S
1800		5	Set Condition II. All units notified.		S
2140		6	Lt ANDRESEW, 11th Motors, reports "C" line saw red star cluster from Hamlet at Khanh Son, 951765. Two red star clusters given to hamlet chief to warn if VC entered Hamlet. No action was taken. Notified NSDC.		S
2315		7	Entry 2140 (above), is a NEGATIVE. It was a green star cluster. Notified NSDC.		S
0630		8	Set Condition III.		S
	0700	9	Log closed.		S
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IN	OUT			
		SUBSECTOR "B", NSDC & HQBN FROM 18 March 1969 0700		
		TO 19 March 1969 0700		
JOURNAL				
0700		1	Log opened.	S
0845		2	HEAD COLD PAPA departed on patrol.	TM
1130		3	HEAD COLD PAPA returned from patrol. NEG results.	TM
1433		4	COSSACK PAPA departed recon & night ambush.	TM
2355		5	MASS-3 reported sighting 1 enemy, vicinity AT 95574L, moving from east to west through starlight scope. Delivered small arms, M60 & M79 fire. Results unknown due to heavy foilage. Notified NSDC.	S
0020		6	NSDC reported 3 to 4 figures spotted, vicinity 934772, moving E, SE. 11th Motor Transport Bn notified. They have LP in approximate area.	S
0253		7	MASS-2 post saw figures through starlight scope on road near rockcrusher. Fired M79. A green star cluster was fired from general vicinity. 26th Marines ambush was returning to their lines and reported the M79 fire landed about 150 meters from them.	S
0630		8	Set Condition III.	S
	0700	9	Log closed.	S
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IN	OUT			
		SUBSECTOR "B", NSDC & HQBN FROM 19 March 1969 0700		
		JOURNAL		
		TO 20 March 1969 0700		
0700		1	Log opened.	S
0915		2	RUDDER PAPA departed on patrol.	TM
0940		3	11th MTBn conducting a sweep found black clothing in tree line at coordinates 950766. Turned same into S-2, 11th MTBn.	S
1249		4	Headquarters Company patrol picked up a Vietnamese civilian whose identification card was not in order. Also had what looked like fragment wound and barb wire cuts on his feet. Turned over to 1st ITT.	S
1450		5	NSDC intelligence report from Hoa Vang Province; there is an arms cache at coordinate 945747, to be used to attack Hoa Vang District Headquarters & Danang. Enemy battalion size unit guarding it. Rated F-6.	S
1800		6	Set Condition II. All units notified.	S
2335		7	1st MTBn observed one enemy in front of wire with tank light. Fired M79. Results unknown, will check area in morning. Notified NSDC.	S
0425		8	MAG-16 had two rockets impact in their area.	S
0630		9	Set Condition III.	S
	0700	10	Log closed.	S
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	FROM 20 March 1969 0700
	TO 21 March 1969 0700

TIME		SER NO	INCIDENT, MSG'S, LTR'S ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN
IN	OUT			M-map S-staff T-troops F-file
0700		1	Log opened.	S
1337		2	ALA KING PAPA departed on patrol.	TM
1635		3	ALA KING PAPA returned from patrol. NEG results.	TM
1800		4	Set Condition II. All units notified.	S
1840		5	11thMTBn, vicinity AT 948762, received about 4 or 5 sniper rounds from old KHANH SON. No casualties or damage. Notified NSDC.	S
1940		6	Received about 8-10 mortar rounds in vicinity AT 954751 and AT 954749. Notified NSDC.	S
1950		7	GySgt STRICKLIN (Sec Plt) reported that post D-4 observed flashes at AT 946749.	S
1955		8	Cleared grid AT 927754 for counter mortar fire requested by OP EAGLE.	S
2000		9	Called out Reaction Company and 1st Provisional Rifle Company.	S
2015		10	Received call from G-3 that a mortar dud was on the helo-pad - called EOD.	S
2023		11	26th Marines fired 60mm mortar fire vicinity AT 946749. Results unknown.	S
2030		12	Reaction Company and 1st Provisional Rifle Company mustered and ready for deployment.	S
2040		13	Capt SHERIDAN (S-1) reported casualty report as follows: 2 KIA, 2 WIAE, and 3 WIANE.	S
2130		14	EOD removed one dud 82 mortar round from helo-pad 400.	S

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			20 March 1969	0700
			21 March 1969	0700
TIME		SER NO	INCIDENT, MSG'S, LTR'S ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN M-map S-staff T-troops F-file
IN	OUT			
0155		15	"A" Line reported possible rocket launch site at 3410 mils - Notified NSDC.	S
0215		16	Cpl TWEED, MASS-2, reports flash at possible rocket launch site at AT 953727 and AT 954724 - Notified NSDC.	S
0630		17	Secured reserve companies commenced passing word to remain in Condition II until further notice.	S
0640		18	Two tanks located at Camp Purdue fired approximately 20 rounds HE and WP into hill and draw in vicinity of coordinates AT 937763 - ceased fire mission at 0648 good coverage of target. No enemy movement observed.	S
0700		19	Log closed.	S
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			TO 22 March 1969 0700	
TIME		SER NO	INCIDENT, MSG'S, LTR'S ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN M-map S-staff T-troops F-file
IN	OUT			
0700		1	Log opened.	S
1930		2	1st FAC patrol found a pack, 4 cartridge belts and a gas mask case buried in Vietnamese yard. Also found two US. Technical Manuals. Turned findings into S-2. (All equipment was U.S.)	S
2130		3	Service Co, Band line, reported that post A-1 received 2 rounds small arms fire from AT968737. They returned fire with M-79 and firing ceased. No friendly casualties. Notified NSDC.	S
2250		4	MASS#2 received one suspected RPC round from coordinates 953741. Sight of launch obtained. Round landed 20 meters behind B-8 position at coordinate 953746. Area saturated by 60mm mortar, M79, M60 and M16. Negative friendly casualties. Notified NSDC.	S
0005		5	MASS-2 reports enemy inside the second strand of wire. Enemy fired on position and were pulling the wire (estimated 3 enemy). Delivered fire with M60, M79 and SA. Results unknown. Notified NSDC.	S
0010		6	Requested arty and a flare ship.	S
0045		7	Requested SPOOKY or Huey gunship.	S
0052		8	Basketball (Flare ship) is on station.	S
0115		9	Spooky on station.	S
0130		10	MASS-3 reported the explosion behind B-8 was identified as 82mm mortar round. Lt SULLIVAN determined this from crater. (See entry 201940)	S

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IN	OUT			
				SUBSECTOR "B", NSDC & HQBN FROM 22 March 1969 0700
				TO 23 March 1969 0700
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0700		1	Log opened.	S
0744		2	RUDDER "A" completed sweep of Bravo line with Negative results.	TM
1324		3	HEAD COLD PAPA departed on patrol.	TM
1635		4	HEAD COLD PAPA returned from patrol. NEG results.	TM
1815		5	Received two msgs from Comm Center. 220905Z Mar69 and 220904Z Mar69.	TM
2022		6	1st MedBn reported unknown explosion on road at coordinate 971752. Negative casualties or damage. Notified NSDC. Will check in morning.	S
0700		7	Log closed.	S
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		SUBSECTOR "B", NSDC & HQBN FROM 23 March 1969 0700		
		TO 24 March 1969 0700		
JOURNAL				
0700		1	Log opened.	S
0816		2	ALA KING PAPA departed on patrol.	TM
0822		3	RUDDER PAPA departed on patrol.	TM
0945		4	ALA KING PAPA returned from patrol. NEG results.	TM
1005		5	COSSACK PAPA departed on patrol.	TM
1140		6	COSSACK PAPA returned from patrol. NEG results.	TM
1415		7	RUDDER PAPA returned from patrol. NEG results.	TM
1955		8	478th Av Co reported that a CH-54 received automatic weapons fire from coordinate 974768. Negative results. Notified NSDC.	S
2305		9	OF Condor reported they heard movement in bushes to the rear of there position. Threw one hand illum. grenade. Results unknown. Will search area at first light. Notified NSDC.	S
2335		10	D-3 Dai La Pass reported that one round WP landed approximately 50 meters in front of their position. NEGATIVE results. Notified NSDC.	S
0700		11	Log closed.	S
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			FROM	TO		
			26 March 1969	0700		
			27 March 1969	0700		
TIME		SER NO	INCIDENT, MSG'S, LTR'S ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION TAKEN		
IN	OUT			M-map	S-staff	T-troops
0700		1	Log opened.		S	
0822		2	RUDDER PAPA departed on Patrol.		TM	
0937		3	HEAD COLD PAPA departed on patrol.		TM	
1200		4	RUDDER PAPA returned from patrol. NEG results.		TM	
1215		5	HEAD COLD PAPA returned from patrol. NEG results.		TM	
1800		6	Set Condition III. All units notified.		S	
1830		7	Received msg 260920Z Mar69.		S	
	0700	8	Log closed.		S	
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TO 29 March 1969 0700				
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0700		1	Log opened.	S
0937		2	RUDDER PAPA departed on patrol.	TM
1230		3	RUDDER PAPA returned from patrol. NEG results.	TM
1840		4	Set Condition III. All units notified.	S
2155		5	A Marine from 26th Marines had an accidental discharge while cleaning his M-16. He received injury to his fingers, but did not have any bones broken. Notified NSDC.	S
0700		6	Log closed.	S
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