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To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code A03D)

Via: (1) Commanding General, 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
(2) Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force Pacific

Subj: Command Chronology for period of 1 Mar to 31 Mar 1968

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2
(b) FMFPacO 5750.8

Encl: ✓(1) Command Chronology

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

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 March to 31 March 1968

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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

Headquarters Battalion
3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF

COMMANDER

Col A. I. THOMAS

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters Company

Maj R. L. JOHNSON

Service Company

1stLt J. GEISKE

Communications Company

LtCol J. D. HINES

Military Police Company

Maj G. W. GEYER

Sub Unit #2

LtCol G. F. MEYERS
(1-21 Mar 1968)
LtCol F. L. BOURNE
(22-31 Mar 1968)

2. LOCATION

1-16 March 1968: Phu Bai, Republic of Viet Nam
17-31 March 1968: Quang Tri, Republic of Viet Nam
(Less Sub Unit #2, Dong Ha, Khe Sanh, RVN)

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

Maj E. F. VOZELLA

S-1/Adjutant

Capt G. RIGGS

Assistant Adjutant

1stLt J. V. FISHER Jr.

Operations/Logistics Officer

Maj R. I. JAMES

Motor Transport Officer

1stLt T. J. GLEASON

Supply Officer

1stLt B. A. HALL

Surgeon

Lt H. D. JORDAN
(USNR)

Chaplain

LtCmdr D. F. FOGARTY
(USN)

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>OFF</u>	USMC	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	USN	<u>ENL</u>
256		1691	14		23

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. Headquarters Battalion continued to have elements positioned throughout the 3d Marine Division Area of Operations during this period. Location of major elements are as follows:

Quang Tri

Headquarters Company (-)
Service Company (-)
Military Police Company (-)

Dong Ha

Sub Unit #2
Communications Company (-)

2. Unit activities/Events

a. During this reporting period the remaining elements of the 3d Marine Division Rear have relocated from Phu Bai to Quang Tri Combat Base. General Purpose tents have been erected in all billeting areas while SEAHuts are being utilized for office spaces.

b. A personnel shelter bunker system has begun in the billeting and office areas. This system consists of slit trenches approximately 6 feet deep and two feet wide reinforced with sandbags. These trenches are located along and in between each row of tents and huts. Sandbag blast walls are also being constructed to a height of 4 feet around each SEAHut and tent.

c. Extensive expansion and improvement has begun on that sector of the Quang Tri Combat Base perimeter for which Headquarters Battalion is responsible. New concertina wire has been laid extending the perimeter out approximately 250 meters. Fields of fire have been cleared and fighting holes and bunkers have been dug in these new positions.

d. A new 500-man messhall is being constructed with 17 April 68 set as target date for completion. Two 50-man messhalls have been constructed to facilitate the Officers and Staff NCO's.

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PART III
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

a. Combat Missions Assigned

- (1) Furnishing security details for convoys as required.
- (2) Furnishing security for road clearance/mine sweep details.
- (3) Maintaining two vital area reaction companies for employment as required by the Vital Area Defense Coordinator.
- (4) Performing Military Police functions as required throughout the 3d Marine Division AO.
- (5) Responsible for maintaining sector 3 of the perimeter defense of Quang Tri Combat Base.

b. Significant Operations Conducted. None

c. Casualties inflicted on the enemy. None

d. Casualties sustained.

KIA		WIA		Injury, non-battle		Death, non-battle		MIA	
Off	Enl	Off	Enl	Off	Enl	Off	Enl	Off	Enl
0	0	5	13	0	1	0	0	1	0

e. New Techniques Employed. None

f. Command Relations. Satisfactory

g. Equipment. Nothing Significant

h. Logistics. Nothing Significant

i. Civic Action. Nothing Significant

j. Administration. Nothing Significant

k. Persomel. Nothing Significant

l. Intelligence. Nothing Significant

m. Communications. Nothing Significant

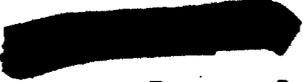
n. Weather. Nothing Significant

o. Fire Support. Nothing Significant

p. Air Support. Nothing Significant

q. Activations/Deactivations/Redesignations. None

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r. Personnel Services

(1) Postal. Approximately 9,000 pounds of mail were processed during this reporting period.

(2) Medical. Nothing Significant

(3) Chaplin. Nothing Significant

(4) Special Services. Nothing Significant

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PART IV
CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE UNITS
AND
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. None

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