

COMPANY A  
1st Antitank Battalion  
1st Marine Division(Rein), FMF  
APO San Francisco, California 96602

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1 Jun 1967

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, 1st Antitank Battalion (Attn: S-3)

Subj: Command Chronology

Ref: (a) EnO 3480.1

Encl: ✓(1) Command Chronology: May 1967

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

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B. H. BAILEY

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1st Antitank Battalion  
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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

Company A, 1st Antitank Bn

COMMANDER

Capt G. J. FORBES

SUBORDINATE UNITS

1st Platoon  
2nd Platoon  
3rd Platoon

2ndLt J. W. CARTER  
SSgt E. WALKER Jr.  
2ndLt W. A. BROWN

ATTACHED UNITS

(None)

2. LOCATION

1 - 31 May, DANANG, RVN

3. STAFF

2ndLt B. H. BAILEY  
1stSgt G. E. DICKSON Jr.  
GySgt W. K. WEITKNECHT

Executive Officer  
First Sergeant  
Gunnery Sergeant

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC

USN

OTHER

OFF ENL  
4 82

OFF ENL  
0 1

OFF ENL  
0 0

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. Throughout the reporting period, subordinate units of this command were assigned missions as follows:

- 1st PLT, DS 3d Bn First Marines
- 2nd PLT, DS 2d Bn First Marines
- 3rd PLT, DS 1st Bn First Marines

2. 1-31 May 1967. The Ontos in DS of the 1st Marine Regiment. 1-10 May 1967 Company A continued to provide Ontos for escort missions, mechanized patrols and defensive positions. 10-31 May 1967 the Ontos were on Admin Deadline and used only in defensive positions. The terrain is excellent for Ontos operation in the First Marine TAOR.

3. 1-31 May 1967. The Ontos fired (63) 106MM rounds, (195) .50 Cal. rounds and (2,000) .30 Cal. rounds. The Ontos traveled 739 miles in 204 hours of operation.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 2 May FIRST PLATOON: A-11 and A-12 received 30 rounds SA fire from 044697. A-11 expended 1 106mm rnd and 2 .50 Cal. rnds from 052697. No search made due to mission. A-11 and A-12 received 15 to 20 rnds SA fire from 044697. A-11 expended 50 .30 Cal. rnds from 052697. No search made due to mission. (See Ref (A))
- 3 May THIRD PLATOON: 3 VC crossing river in boat. A-31 expended 3 106mm rnds. Results unknown. (See Ref (B))
- 5 May FIRST PLATOON: A-11 and A-12 received 2 rnds SA fire from 046686. A-12 expended 250 .30 Cal. rnds from 051686. No search made due to darkness.  
THIRD PLATOON: A-33 received 4 to 8 rnds SA fire from 096584. A-33 expended 100 .30 Cal. rnds from 051686. Area searched with negative results.
- 6 May FIRST PLATOON: A-11 and A-12 received 5 rnds SA fire from 045682. A-12 expended 500 .30 Cal. rnds from 045689. No search made due to darkness.  
THIRD PLATOON: A-32 observed 4 VC running. A-32 expended 1 106mm rnd and 2 .50 Cal. rnds. Unable to search due to water barrier. A-32 and A-34 received 5 to 8 rnds SA fire from 027584. A-32 expended 250 .30 Cal. rnds.

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A-34 expended 300 .30 Cal. rnds. Search made with negative results.  
(See Ref (C))

7 May FIRST PLATOON: A-12 received 4 rnds SA fire from tree line. A-12 expended 50 .30 Cal. rnds. Area was searched, found discarded black clothing. A-12 observed 3 VC's running away from infantry sweep at tree line. A-12 expended 30 .30 Cal. rnds. Area searched with negative results. A-11 and A-12 received 50 to 100 rnds SA fire. A-11 expended 6 106mm rnds, 4 .50 Cal. rnds and 100 .30 Cal. rnds. A-12 expended 6 106mm rnds, 2 .50 Cal. rnds and 150 .30 Cal. rnds. Search made with negative results. (See Ref (D))

9 May THIRD PLATOON: A-32 and A-34 received sporadic sniper fire. A-32 expended 350 .30 Cal. rnds. A-34 expended 450 .30 Cal. rnds with negative results. (See Ref (E))

Appendix I (List of References) To Company "A", 1st ATBn, Command  
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1. The following references are cited:

Ref. (a)	Company "A" SITREP #	132
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COMPANY B  
1st Antitank Battalion  
1st Marine Division (Rein) MEF  
APO San Francisco, California 96602

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3000  
1 June 1967

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, 1st Antitank Battalion (Attn: S-3)

Subj: Command Chronology

Ref: (a) BnO 3480.1

Encl: ✓(1) May Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the instructions contained in reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.

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May 1967

COMPANY B  
1st Antitank Battalion  
1st Marine Division (Rein) F.F.  
APO San Francisco, California 96602

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1 June 1967

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PART I

1. DESIGNATOR

COMPANY B

COMMANDER

Captain A. R. GREEN JR.

SUBORDINATE UNITS

1st Platoon  
2nd Platoon  
3rd Platoon

2ndLt. R. J. YEOMANS  
1stLt. A. F. TRAYNOR  
2ndLt. J. K. ALEXANDER

ATTACHED UNITS

(NONE)

2. LOCATION

1-31 May 1967: DANANG, RVN

3. STAFF

First Sergeant  
Gunnery Sergeant

1stSgt J. M. REID  
SSgt M. C. HANBY

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

USMC		USN		OTHER	
OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
4	89	0	1	0	0

Enclosure (1)

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1 June 1967

PART II  
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. Throughout the report period, platoons of this company were assigned missions as follows:

1st Platoon - Direct Support, First Battalion, Fifth Marines

2nd Platoon - OPCON Second Battalion, Fifth Marines

3rd Platoon - Direct Support, Fifth Marines

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PART III  
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. 1-31 May 1967 All Platoons 210 miles traveled
2. 1-31 May 1967 All Platoons Rounds Fired: 0

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PART IV

CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. 1st Platoon- NONE
2. 2nd Platoon- NONE
3. 3rd Platoon- NONE

Enclosure (1)

COMPANY C  
1st Antitank Battalion  
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
APO San Francisco, California 96602

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1 June 1967

From: Commanding Officer  
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Subj: Command Chronology for 1 May 1967 to 31 May 1967

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2  
(b) FMFPac O. 5750.8  
(c) Div O. 7550.2B

Encl: ✓ (1) Company C Command Chronology

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

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PART I  
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. Designation.

Company C, 1st Antitank Battalion

Principle Billets.

Company Commander	Capt. D. M. HUTSON
Executive Officer	1-10 May 67 2nd Lt. M. J. BOREK
	11-31 May 67 1st Lt. H. L. REED
1st Plt. Comdr.	1-10 May 67 2nd Lt. S. C. BERMAN
	11-31 May 67 SSgt. B. C. ELY
2nd Plt. Comdr.	1-10 May 67 SSgt. J. W. HAYNES
	11-31 May 67 2nd Lt. S. C. BERMAN
3rd Plt. Comdr.	1-10 May 67 1st Lt. H. L. REED
	11-31 May 67 SSgt. D. MARTINEZ

2. Location.

1 - 31 May 1967, Da Nang, RVN

3. Average Monthly Strength.

	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>		<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
3		80	0	1

PART II  
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The month of May saw a marked decrease in the employment of the Ontos as a direct fire support weapon in the support of the infantry units. The 106mm recoilless rifle was administratively deadlined on 8 May 1967, and the Ontos as a result were employed in static positions within combat bases.

The Ontos of Company C fired a total of seven (7) 106mm rounds, three (3) .50 Cal. rounds and three hundred and eighty (380) .30 Cal. rounds during the month and have traveled a total of 412 miles in support of infantry units.

PART III  
SEQUENTIAL LISTINGS OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 1 May 1967 - Light Section 3rd Plt. Company C occupied blocking position in support of squad from K/3/7 at AT 917596. Returned on 2 May at 0900H. Negative contact.
- 2 May 1967 - Light Section 2nd Plt. Company C in support of squad from 1/7, detonated an M-26 A.P. Mine. One (1) USMC Medical Evac.,

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Corporal LENSEIGNE of Company C, 1st Antitank Battalion, in fair condition with possible loss of lower left leg.

- 3 May 1967 - Light Section 3rd Plt. Company C, 3rd Antitank Battalion escorted 155-Self Propelled guns to Coordinates 8857. Negative contact.
- 4 May 1967 - Light Section 1st Plt. Company C in support of 1/7 received two incoming grenades at Coordinates AT 929708. Returned fire with 30 rounds of .30 Cal. machine gun fire. Negative results. One (1) USMC WIA, no Medical Evac. (Received cut on left index finger.
- 6 May 1967 - Light Section 1st Plt. Company C moved from Hill 41 (AT 961607) to Alpha Company 1/7 at Coordinates AT 966585.
- 7 May 1967 - Light Section in support of Alpha 1/7 fired four (4) rounds 106mm three (3) rounds .50 Cal. spotting rounds at six (6) V.C.'s in the vicinity of AT 915545. Area checked with negative results.
- 8 May 1967 - Light Section 1st Plt. Company C in support of Alpha Company 1/7 spotted four (4) V.C.'s fleeing from the vicinity of AT 976588. Ontos fired three (3) rounds 106mm. Negative results.
- 11 May 1967 - Heavy Section from 1st Plt. Company C in support of Alpha Company 1/7 in the vicinity of AT 972595. Returned to Alpha Company CP at 1900H. Negative results.
- 14 May 1967 - Light Section from 1st Plt. Company C in support of Alpha Company 1/7 spotted one (1) V.C. at AT 973585. V.C. fired approximately 30 rounds automatic fire at Ontos. Ontos returned fire with 350 rounds .30 Cal. The area was checked with negative results.
- 15 - 31 May 1967 - Continue support of infantry units within Combat bases.

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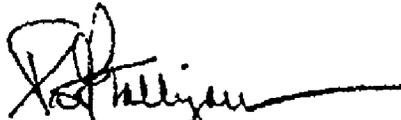
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(c) DivO 5750.2B

Encl: ✓(1) May Command Chronology

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

  
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ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

1st Antitank Battalion

COMMANDER

Lt.Col. J. J. KEEFE

SUBORDINATE UNITS

Company A  
Company B  
Company C 1-6 May 1967  
Company C 7-31 May 1967  
H&S Company 1-4 May 1967  
H&S Company 5-31 May 1967

Capt. G. J. FORBES  
Capt. A. R. GREEN  
Capt. R. J. ESPOSITO  
Capt. D. M. HUTSON  
Capt. R. W. JOHNSON  
Lt. J. C. HANCOCK JR.

ATTACHED UNITS

(NONE)

2. LOCATION

1-31 May 1967: DaNang, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Major	J. J. BURKE JR.	1-5 May 1967	Executive Officer
Major	P. S. GALLIGAN	6-31 May 1967	Executive Officer
SgtMajor	C. S. SAWYER		Sergeant Major
2ndLt	M. L. ELL		S-1/Adjutant
2ndLt	J. C. HANCOCK Jr.	1-22 May 1967	S-2
2ndLt	M. J. BOREK	23-31 May 1967	S-2
Major	P. S. GALLIGAN	1-9 May 1967	S-3
2ndLt	M. J. BOREK	10-31 May 1967	S-3
1stLt	V. C. DAVIS		S-4
Capt	R. W. JOHNSON	1-4 May 1967	S-5
2ndLt	J. C. HANCOCK Jr.	5-8 May 1967	S-5
2ndLt	D. D. DIXON	9-30 May 1967	S-5
2ndLt	M. J. BOREK	30-31 May 1967	S-5
2ndLt	J. A. VAN DOREN		Supply Officer
2ndLt	J. C. HANCOCK JR.		Comm-Elect. Officer
2ndLt	D. D. DIXON		Motor Transport Officer
2ndLt	L. D. MANBECK		Ordnance-Maint. Officer
HMC	T. O. MICHEL		Medical Officer (Chief Corpsman)

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>OTHER</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
20	102	6	7	0	0

PART II  
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. Throughout the reporting period, subordinate units of this command were assigned missions as follows:

Company A, Direct Support of 1st Marines.

Company B, Direct Support of 5th Marines.

Company C, Direct Support of 7th Marines.

2. 1-31 May 1967. The Civil Affairs program for the month of May in the Yen Bac Hamlet, consisted of treating 430 Vietnamese people in our MedCap program. Projects completed were the conversion of the school house (not in use at this time) into an Aid Station. Fifty-five gallons of gasoline is delivered monthly for the hamlets water pump. Projects under construction are two heads and a shower.

1-31 May 1967. The Battalion continued its role of supporting Southern Sector Rear Area Defense by continuing active daily patrolling of the assigned area of responsibility.

1-31 May 1967. During the month of May there was a decrease in the employment of ontos as a Direct Fire Support Weapon, with the infantry units. The 106mm Recoilless Rifle was administratively deadlined on 7 May 1967, and the ontos as a result were employed in static position within combat bases.

1-31 May 1967. During the month of May the Battalion fired a total of seventy rounds 106mm ammunition, one hundred ninety-eight rounds .50 caliber ammunition and two thousand three hundred eighty rounds .30 caliber ammunition. The Battalion Ontos traveled a total of one thousand three hundred and sixty-one miles.

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SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS.

- 1 May Light Section, 3rd Platoon, Company C occupied blocking position in support of squad from Company K, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines at AT917596. Returned on 2 May at 0900H. Negative contact.
- 2 May Light Section, 2nd Platoon, Company C in support of squad from 1st Battalion, 7th Marines, detonated an M-26 AP Mine. Resulting in one USMC MedEvac.
- First Platoon, Company A, Ontos A-11 and A-12 received 30 rounds small arms fire from treeline at BT044697. Ontos A-11 expended one 106 mm round and two .50 caliber rounds from BT 052697. No search was made due to mission. Ontos A-11 and A-12 received fifteen to twenty rounds small arms fire from BT044697. Ontos A-11 expended fifty .30 caliber rounds from BT052697. No search was made due to mission.
- 3 May Third platoon, Company A observed three VC crossing river in boat. Ontos 3-1 expended three rounds 106mm. No search was made due to water barrier.
- Light section, 3rd Platoon, Company C, 3rd Antitank Battalion escorted 155 Self-propelled guns to coordinates 8857. Negative contact.
- 4 May Light Section, 1st Platoon, Company C in support of 1st Battalion 7th Marines received two incoming grenades at coordinate T929708. Returned fire with thirty rounds of .30 caliber machine gun fire. Negative results. One USMC KIA NonMedEvac.
- 5 May First Platoon, Company A, Ontos A-11 and A-12 received two rounds small arms fire BT046686. Ontos A-12 expended two hundred fifty rounds .30 caliber ammunition from BT051686. No search was made due to darkness.
- Third platoon, Company A Ontos received four to eight rounds small arms fire from BT 096584. Ontos A-33 expended one hundred rounds .30 caliber ammunition from BT 051686. Area was searched with negative results.
- 6 May First platoon, Company A Ontos A-11 and A-12 received five rounds small arms fire from BT045682. Ontos A-12 expended five hundred rounds .30 caliber ammunition from BT045689. No search was made due to mission.

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Third platoon, Company A Ontos A-32 observed four VC running. Ontos A-32 expended one 106mm round and two .50 caliber rounds. No search due to water barrier. Ontos A-32 and A-34 received five to eight rounds small arms fire from BT027584. Ontos A-32 expended seven hundred fifty rounds .30 caliber ammunition. Ontos A-34 expended three hundred rounds .30 caliber ammunition. No search was made.

Light Section, 1st Platoon, Company C moved from Hill 41 at AT961607 to A Company, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines at coordinates AT966585.

7 May First Platoon, Company A, Ontos A-12 recieved four rounds small arms fire from treeline. Ontos A-12 expended fifty .30 caliber rounds. Area searched, found discarded black clothing. Ontos A-12 observed three VC running away from infantry sweep at treeline. Ontos A-12 expended thirty rounds .30 caliber ammunition. Area searched with negative results. Ontos A-11 and A-12 received fifty to one hundred rounds small arms fire. Ontos A-11 expended six 106mm rounds and four .50 caliber rounds and one hundred .30 caliber rounds. Ontos A-12 expended six 106mm rounds, 2 .50 caliber rounds and one hundred fifty .30 caliber rounds. Search made with negative results.

Light section, from 1st Platoon, Company C in support of Company A, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines fired four rounds 106mm, three rounds .50 caliber at six VC in the vicinity of AT915545. Area checked with negative results.

8 May Light Section, from 1st Platoon, Company C in support of Company A, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines spotted four VC fleeing from the vicinity of AT976588. Ontos fired three rounds 106mm. Area searched with negative results.

9 May Third Platoon, Company A Ontos A-32 and A-34 received small arms fire. Ontos A-32 expended three hundred fifty .30 caliber rounds. Ontos A-34 expended four hundred fifty .30 caliber rounds. Area searched with negative results.

11 May Heavy Section, from 1st Platoon, Company C in support of Company A, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines in the vicinity of AT972595. Returned to Company A CP at 1700H. Negative results.

14 May Light Section from 1st Platoon, Company C in support of Company A, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines spotted one VC at AT973585. VC fired thirty rounds automatic fire at Ontos. Ontos returned fire with three hundred fifty rounds .30 caliber ammunition, the area was checked with negative results.

15-31 May Company C, Platoons continued support of infantry units within combat cases.

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PART IV

CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS  
AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

- Filed w/ Chronology*
1. Command Chronology Company A, 1st Antitank Battalion
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