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Encl: (1) 1st Military Police Battalion Command Chronology
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PART I
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

1st Military Police Battalion

COMMANDERLt. Col. T. R. HILL
1-31 Aug 67SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Company
A Company
B Company
C Company
D Company

1-31 Aug 1967
1-31 Aug 1967
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1-31 Aug 1967

1st Lt. E. V. ARMENTO
Capt. E. GRAY
Capt. B. J. MURPHY
Capt. R. M. SHEA
Capt. J. T. TERRY III

ATTACHED UNITS

C Company, 3rd MP Bn 1-31 Aug 1967
Detachment, 7th Comm Bn 1-31 Aug 1967

1st Lt. W. S. MACK

2. LOCATION

1-31 Aug 1967, Danang, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer 1-31 Aug 1967
S-1/Adjutant 1-31 Aug 1967
S-2 1-31 Aug 1967
S-3 1-31 Aug 1967
S-4 1-31 Aug 1967
S-5 1-31 Aug 1967

Major J. F. BUGBEE
2nd Lt. R. G. GARDNER
2nd Lt. R. GASKILL
Capt. D. W. JUDD
Capt. W. FITTS
2nd Lt. J. E. PECK

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
33	800	1	20

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ENCLOSURE (1)

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S-1 PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

1. CAC ECHO 2 and 3 joined ADCON from H&S Bn., FLC

2. Losses:

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
2	49	0	2

3. Replacements:

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
1	102	0	6

4. Discipline: One General Court Martial. Seven Special Courts Martial & five Summary Courts Martial were convened during the month. Three Battalion Commander's NJP & 6 Company Commander's NJP were imposed during the month.

5. Strength:

	Effective				Non-effective			
	USMC		USN		USMC		USN	
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
H&S Co.	12	100	1	22	0	3	0	0
*A	4	179	0	0	0	5	0	0
**B	5	160	0	0	0	2	0	0
C Co. (Rein)	5	125	0	0	0	2	0	0
***D	4	140	0	0	0	0	0	0
C (-) 3d MP3		95	0	0	0	0	0	0

- * Includes CAC F ADCON
- ** Includes CAC G ADCON
- *** Includes CAC E ADCON

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

S-2 INTELLIGENCE

1. During the month of August, sixty-nine Vietnamese personnel were apprehended. Of these sixty-nine, three were suspected of being VC or VC sympathizers and are in the hands of the National Police. No additional information as to their status has been received. The remaining sixty-six detainees were all civil dependents falling into one of three categories as follows:

- a. Improper or no I.D. card
- b. Illegal resident
- c. Draft dodgers/deserters

2. Intelligence reports during the period centered around VC plans to disrupt the national elections and plans to attack vital U.S. military installations. An increased number of enemy units have been reported in the rocket belt and about the area of Hoi An. VC were reported to be infiltrating into East Da Nang and the Northwest corner of the 1st MP Bn. TAOR. Numerous reports indicated that the enemy is infiltrating into Hoa Vang District and Da Nang City.

The following were reported as likely targets during the reporting period.

a. Da Nang Air Base. This remains the number one target in the area.

b. Da Nang City. This is to be the focal point of increased psychological and terrorist activities aimed at disrupting the national elections in September.

c. I Corps Bridge and Cam Le Bridge. These bridges are very important links in logistic support of the ICTZ.

d. Other targets mentioned are I Corps P.W. Compound, Marble Mountain Air Facility, U.S. and ARVN installations in Hoa Vang District.

S-3 OPERATIONS/TRAINING

1. During the month this battalion conducted 548 day and 819 night fire team patrols, 49 night squad patrols, 67 ambushes and set out 143 listening posts for a total of 1626 small unit actions during the month.

2. Drills were conducted on a weekly basis to improve reaction force capabilities. Included in the drills was a test on 8 Aug. of the units charged with defending the I Corps P.W. Camp from mass escape or attack.

3. Two reaction platoons from this command provided security for an Air Force F4C which crashed on 11 August, north of the Air Base.

4. CACO Foxtrot and local police swept grid square AT 9676 on 29 August. Results were 4 detainees.

5. Company B, CACO G and local police swept Son Thuy, grid square BT 0671 on 29 August. Results were 3 detainees.

6. A company sized sweep of Nai Nam fishing village was conducted in the vicinity of coordinate BT 038755 on 31 August. 6 detainees were apprehended.

7. On 21 Aug. Mr. COLEBAUGH, political advisor to CG, III MAF, gave a class to officers/SNCO's on the upcoming Vietnamese national elections, and on 30 Aug Lt Col HILL presented a class on Leadership.

8. Normal training was conducted consisting of at least three (3) hours per week of GMS classes and weekly weapons safety classes.

9. Orientation classes for newly joined personnel were conducted 23 August 1967.

S-4 LOGISTICS

1. Significant Events.

a. Rewiring of the Battalion Area began under the auspices of NSA Public Works.

b. Messhall renovations continued as material became available.

c. One additional Vietnamese kitchen helper was hired to assist in the messhall.

d. Supply Sections renovations continued with the opening of a new Shipping and Receiving Building.

2. Supply.

a. A FMFPac Assistance Team inspected the Battalion Supply/ Fiscal account with satisfactory results.

b. Supply activities are considered in a satisfactory status with regard to the command's mission.

3. Motor Transport

a. Construction of a wash rack was initiated during August.

b. Tires, batteries and wheel bearings remain a problem with regard to vehicle maintenance.

S-5 CIVIL AFFAIRS1. General

a. During the month of August a Vietnamese Language Course was established. Classes are conducted Tuesday and Friday of each week at 1800.

b. Basic necessities were furnished to two Vietnamese families whose homes were destroyed by an airplane crash. A twelve man volunteer team assisted the families in resettlement. In appreciation a small party was held for the Marines by the Vietnamese.

2. Educationa. Company A

(1) Company A established English classes under the supervision of Lt BEUKEMA. The school sponsored by Company A was painted and one hundred kits were distributed to the students. At present a bicycle shed is under constructed for the students bicycles.

b. Company C, 1st Military Police Battalion

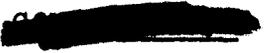
(1) Company C is giving the Xuan Hoa elementary school materials and technical assistance to repair their school. Three hundred school kits and three blackboards were given to the school. In addition a barbed wire enclosure for the school, a project requested by the principal, was erected.

c. Company C, 3rd Military Police Battalion

(1) In conjunction with the Civil Affairs Officer a ball club at the Sacred Hearts Orphanage has been organized. Company C plans to pass out 554 school kits and present the orphanage school with a metal two seater rocking horse.

d. Company D

(1) Company D has taught a total of twenty-one English classes this month at the Binh Khue Cam primary school. Approximately sixty students attended each class. Three physical education classes were also held, sixty students attending each session. With the help of the teachers of the Binh Khue Cam school, Marines are painting the school and patching holes in the roof.


3. Public Health

a. Sick Call was held at all CAC units daily. 7,236 patients were administered first aid this month.

b. A total of twelve emergency cases were sent to USOM during the month of August.

c. The Civil Affairs Office is now in the process of starting a Dental Hygiene Class for school children at the Xuan Hoa primary school. This will take place shortly after the elections. The correct method of brushing teeth and the proper use of toothpaste will be illustrated. Then brushes and toothpaste will be distributed to the children.

4. Public Works

a. CAP F-2 repaired the village chief's office in Ha Khe.

b. Golf CACO has painted a pagoda in Binh Thi and repainted the school in An Khe.

c. The S-5 has pledged volunteer man power to work for Father Stein from MCB-7 to help build a classroom for the Sacred Hearts Orphanage.

5. Welfare

a. A large number of soap bars has been distributed through the CACO units.

b. The Popular Forces of Golf CACO have been supplied with four bags of rice this month.

c. Rice, clothing and building materials were given to the Air Force to help supplement the provisions given to the people of Kle Mot Village rendered homeless by a recent plane crash.

6. Civic Action Training

a. The 1st of each month has been reserved for training of civil affairs officers.

PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS

1. During the month of August, sixteen PsyOps movies were held.
2. Leaflets were issued and distributed throughout the TAOR.
3. A special PsyOps package has been made up exclusively for the I Corps bridge which will be issued after 3 September to Vietnamese crossing the bridge.

COMMUNICATION1. Significant Events

- a. A crypto equipment repair room was completed.
- b. Installed wire line from Cam Le Bridge to Battalion CP.
- c. Two cable pairs from BOARDINGHOUSE switchboard to PITCHBLEND switchboard and one cable pair from BRAVO SWITCH to BRAVO 8 were requested.
- d. Wire lines to CAP F-5 and CAP F-7 were installed.
- e. Maintained radio communications with Cam Le Bridge from 30 August to 2 September, 1800-0600 daily.
- f. Provided four radios on temporary loan to tenant units of Danang Air Base defense for common radio communications. (NSA, NAD, 1st LOG, 620th TAC Sqdn).

2. The percentage of combat essential equipment available is 90%.
3. The overall status of equipment is excellent.

MEDICAL/DENTAL1. Battalion Aid Station Chronological Data

- a. Significant Events: None
- b. Problem Areas: The inability to acquire sufficient MEDCAP supplies has hindered the medical aspect of the Civic Action Program during the last month.

2. Military Patient Statistical Data

- a. Average daily number of patients seen: 24
- b. Average daily number of patients referred to other treating facilities for consultations, dental, x-rays and laboratory work: 5
- c. Routine medical complaints: Heat Rash, gastroenteritis, and local infections.
- d. Significant diseases peculiar to the area: None observed.
- e. Number of emergency treatments: Combat Injury: 0
Lacerations: 24 Burns: 9 Trauma: 31.
- f. Inoculations and prophylactic medications: Inoculations: 480
Malaria Prophylaxis: 3,460
- g. Patients admitted to BAS Ward: 0

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ENCLOSURE (1)

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1 August 1967

a. At 2210, Company D reported taking 3 VN male detainees to Hoa Vang for questioning. They were apprehended near BT 017723 and were carrying black pajamas.

2 August 1967

a. Reaction force drill was conducted to the I Corps Bridge.

b. At 1930, perimeter security bunker C-15 reported that 3 VN boys told them that they had seen a mortar in the vicinity of AT 996679. Patrols were dispatched with negative results.

3 August 1967

a. From 2200 to 2400, CACO G, assisted Dong Giang District PF's conduct a clearing operation in Co Man (V), Dong Giang(D), coordinate BT 056806 and BT 069805. Twenty detainees were apprehended.

5 August 1967

a. Between 2130 and 2300, a sweep by CACO G, National Police, City Police, Village Officials and PF's at coordinate BT 043807 resulted in six VN male detainees who were taken to Hoa Vang District Headquarters for questioning.

6 August 1967

a. At 2200, one (1) Marine in the 5th Comm Bn area received a minor wound in the hand at coordinates BT 063756. B Company reaction unit swept area with negative results.

8 August 1967

a. At 2100 an Operation Jailbreak drill was conducted at the I Corps P.W. Compound. Units involved were Company B, MCB -7, Co C, 5th SFGA and simulated combat support from the 1st Marine Division.

9 August 1967

a. Company C reported hearing auto-matic fire 500 meters in front of position, CAP F-3 dispatched a patrol but had negative results.

10 August 1967

a. Company C reported that approximately 30 personnel dressed in dark clothing were observed entering an unoccupied house, coordinate AT 997766. CAP F-4 patrol in area searched negative results.

11 August 1967

a. At 0805, an Air Force F4C crashed in the vicinity of coordinates AT997777. Two (2) reaction platoons were deployed to provide security in the immediate area. The pilot was KIA and the RIO was WIA. Several Vietnamese homes were destroyed.

12 August 1967

a. At 1030, CAP F -4 reported that at AT 988765 2 MN civilians threw 2 teargas grenades into a cafe where local officials were holding a meeting. They were apprehended by the local police chief.

b. CACO G, PF's and National Police conducted a search of An Vin(H) and An Hai (V). Sixteen VN males and 1 VN female detainees were taken to Hoa Vang District Headquarters.

c. Company B patrol took 2 VN females to Hoa Vang for questioning. Women were in 5th Comm Bn area and were believed to be prostitutes.

13 August 1967

a. At 132215 MCB-133 (BT 062722) received 2 rounds of 60mm mortar fire in billeting area resulting in 21 WIA. Rounds came from unit of 3/1.

17 August 1967

a. Tango Security conducted drill.

b. Company C reported approximately 20 rounds fired near BT 00287770. Patrol dispatched, negative results.

18 August 1967

a. Tango Security conducted drill.

b. At 02230 Company C reported explosion in front of bunker vicinity coordinates 99497631. CAP F-4 patrolled area but had negative results.

19 August 1967

a. At 2110 CAP F-3 patrol received one round of small arms fire vicinity coordinate AT 990772. There was a Buddhist celebration in area. Patrol was dispatched with negative results.

b. At 2225 the Air Force reported aircraft being fired upon south of the Airfield.

c. At 0005, an Air Force OE Spotter Plane had an accidental discharge of a rocket. Round impacted just south of Company D Bunker #11. There were no casualties.

20 August 1967

a. At 2145 Company A reported small arms fire in the vicinity of the Cam Le Bridge. CAP F-6 patrol dispatched but had negative results.

21 August 1967

a. At 2020, an aircraft dropped wing tank upon take off along the runway and ignited same with after burners. Fire was under control in 30 minutes. No casualties were reported.

22 August 1967

a. CACO Golf conducted a sweep between 2130 and 2330 in Tan Thai (V), coordinate BT 055395, with village officials and local police officials. Six VN male detainees were taken to Hoa Vang District Headquarters.

23 August 1967

a. At 2115 1 VN male was apprehended while attempting to enter the China Beach complex through the protective wire. VCS was taken to Danang Garrison for questioning.

b. CAP F-1 received 4 rounds of incoming 105mm illumination rounds in and around compound. EOD notified and removed rounds that did not explode.

24 August 1967

a. At 2050 Company A patrol apprehended 1 VN male who appeared to be on dope and confessed to being a VC. VCS taken to Hoa Vang District Headquarters.

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ENCLOSURE (1)


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25 August 1967

a. From 2105 to 2245 CACO Golf held sweep at BT 042805 in conjunction with local officials. Twelve detainees were apprehended. Two were determined to be VCS upon questioning at Danang Garrison.

28 August 1967

a. At 0130, MAG-16 received incoming 140mm rockets.

29 August 1967

a. Established liaison with Company F, 2/1 to coordinate defense of Cam Le Bridge.

b. Two sweeps resulted in 7 detainees being taken to Hoa Vang District Headquarters. Sweeps were conducted in grid square AT 9767 and in Son Thuy BT 0671.

30 August 1967

a. At 2100 rounds were fired from a passing vehicle toward perimeter. Unable to apprehend vehicle. Patrols checked area vicinity AT 996736 with negative results.

31 August 1967

a. At 0500, a sweep was conducted in Nai Nam fishing village. Six detainees were taken to Hoa Vang District Headquarters.

b. At 2245 CAP G-2 patrol apprehended 1 civilian without ID card at BT 043804. Detainee was turned over to National Police.

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