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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 November 1969 to 30 November 1969

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PART 1
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

1st Military Police Battalion

LtCol J.D. BAILEY
1-8 November 1969
LtCol S.D. THOMAIDIS
9-30 November 1969

SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Co	1-20 Nov 1969	Capt G.C. CASEN
	21-30 Nov 1969	Capt W.G. MCCLURE
Co "A"	1-30 Nov 1969	1stLt J.V. STACY
Co "B"	1-26 Nov 1969	Capt J.H. HANSON
	27-30 Nov 1969	Capt G.C. CASEN
Co "C"	1-8 Nov 1969	1stLt M.T. RUNYON
	9-30 Nov 1969	1stLt F.D. BALAZS
Co "D"	1-30 Nov 1969	1stLt C.A. BEAGLES

ATTACHED UNITS

Co "C", 3d MPBn Detachment, 7th Comm Bn	1-30 Nov 1969	1stLt M.G. ROTH
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2. LOCATIONS

1-30 Nov 1969 Danang, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Exec Off	1-30 Nov 1969	Maj J.P. MARADA
S-1/Adj	1-30 Nov 1969	2ndLt J.E. MAYO
S-2	1-30 Nov 1969	1stLt D.T. KNAPP
S-3	1-30 Nov 1969	Maj H. GONZALEZ
S-4	1-20 Nov 1969	Capt W.G. MCCLURE
	21-30 Nov 1969	1stLt C.T. WESTCOTT
S-5	1-30 Nov 1969	1stLt J.M. HORN

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
42	627	0	14

S-1 PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

1. Five Vietnamese Crosses of Gallantry with Silver Star, five Vietnamese Crosses of Gallantry with Bronze Star, and one Gold Star in lieu of a second Navy Commendation Medal were awarded to members of this command during the reporting period.

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2. LOSSES

<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
4	53

<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
0	0

3. REPLACEMENTS

<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
5	42

<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
0	3

4. DISCIPLINE. Three Summary Courts-Martial, five Special Courts-Martial, seven Battalion Commander's and 41 Company Commander's Non-Judicial Punishments were imposed during the month.

5. STRENGTH

	<u>EFFECTIVES</u>				<u>NON-EFFECTIVES</u>				: : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :
	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	
H&S Co	15	102	0	16	2	5	0	0	: : : : : : : : :
Co "A"	3	80	0	0	1	8	0	0	: : : : : : : : :
Co "B"	6	107	0	0	0	5	0	0	: : : : : : : : :
Co "C"	5	103	0	0	0	8	0	0	: : : : : : : : :
Co "D"	5	93	0	0	1	9	0	0	: : : : : : : : :
Co "C"									: : : : : : : : :
3dMPBn	4	94	0	0	0	8	0	0	: : : : : : : : :

PART II
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

S-2 INTELLIGENCE

1. During the month of November, operations by elements of the 1st MP Battalion resulted in the apprehension of 7 VCS who were turned over to 5th CIT. 5th CIT interrogated the 7 VCS and released them to Hoa Vang District Headquarters.

2. On 9 November, personnel from I Corps Bridge Security discovered the body of a young Vietnamese male with two bullet wounds. The Vietnamese, who was wearing a poncho, black shorts, and a leather cartridge belt, is believed to be a VC KIA.

3. The month of November, like October, was marked by inactivity on the part of the enemy. The only attack of any significance occurred on 3 November, when Marble Mountain Air Facility received nineteen mortar rounds. Fourteen helicopters received varying degrees of damage and nine personnel were WIA.

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4. Although the main force units will probably continue to rest and resupply during December, sharp attacks from VC local force personnel can be expected.

S-3 OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

1. During this period, the battalion participated in numerous company, platoon and smaller unit size operations, but no significant contact was made.

2. The battalion conducted 284 fireteam-size day patrols, 262 fireteam-size ambushes, 80 squad-size patrols, 260 squad-size ambushes, and 14 platoon-size operations for a total of 900 small unit operations. In addition a total of 7 company-size operations were conducted during the month of November.

3. The battalion and Vietnamese military forces conducted 501 combined small unit operations during November.

4. Battalion Officers and Staff Non-Commissioned Officers attended classes conducted on the following subjects: NBC Warfare; Personal Response; Close Air Support; and Command Information (a film on Operation Dewey Canyon).

5. Battalion GMS training was conducted in accordance with current directives, to include training by MOS and NCO leadership training. Some training was cancelled due to operational commitments.

6. Orientation classes for newly joined personnel were conducted on 7 November 1969.

S-4 SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. 2ndLt S.F. LAWHUN was ordered to duty as platoon commander, "D" Company, 1st Military Police Battalion, vice Assistant S-4 Officer.

2. SSgt R.H. SHELTON was ordered TAD to Okinawa to attend Embarkation School.

3. 2ndLt W.F. STACEY transferred to H&S Company and assumed duties as Assistant S-4 Officer.

4. 1stLt C.T. WESTCOTT assumed duties as S-4 Officer.

5. Capt W. G. MCCLURE assumed duties as H&S Company Commander vice S-4 Officer.
6. 2ndLt R.W. HEVNER reported to the battalion and assumed duties as Assistant Supply Officer.
7. SSgt A. ESCALANTE transferred to H&S Company and assumed duties as S-4 Chief.
8. HMC E. WIMLEY reported to the battalion and assumed duties as BAS Chief.
9. SSGT Z. SZUCH reported to the battalion and assumed duties as Motor Transport Chief.

PERCENTAGE OF COMBAT ESSENTIAL EQUIPMENT ON HAND

1. Supply 0%
2. Motor Transport 83%
3. Communications 86%

S-5 CIVIL AFFAIRS

1. GENERAL

- a. 1st MAW G-5 indicates the sixty IR-8 rice kits requested by this organization will be procured in approximately one week.
- b. Boy Scout Troop #223 in Garden Grove, California, is raising money for soap and vegetable seeds for the villagers of Thanh Khe.
- c. A dispensary for Hoa Tho village was constructed as a self-help project (BT 007722). MEDCAPS are run by the BAS five mornings a week in addition to a weekly DENTCAP. A Vietnamese girl is attending the MEDCAPS and receiving first aid training and will eventually be able to run the first aid station.
- d. 350 people attended the party sponsored by "B" Company at the My Thi school house (BT 052745) on 1 Nov. Ice cream, fruit, and cookies were served.
- e. Tin and plywood were supplied to villagers of My Thi for roof repairs.
- f. Materials to build an ARVN checkpoint at BT054745 were provided by "B" Company.



g. Materials were provided to RD cadre to build a bunker adjacent to the Hoa Long village headquarters (BT 054745).

h. Plywood, tin, and 2X4's were provided to the Khue Trung I hamlet chief for a self-help construction project to build an elementary school at BT016726.

i. Plywood and 2X4's were delivered to the hamlet chief of Cam Bac (BT 014718) to begin construction of a hamlet meeting house.

2. EDUCATION

a. Company "B" teaches English on a limited scale to instructors and students in My Thi.

b. Company "C" continues to work in conjunction with V.A.T. 11 in teaching English five afternoons a week at the National Police Headquarters (AT 992779).

c. Company "D" provides English instruction at Hoa Vang High School (BT 013737) five days a week.

3. PUBLIC HEALTH

a. 2422 patients were treated during MEDCAPS held in November.

b. 300 bars of soap were distributed during the month.

c. 5530 sanitation leaflets were handed out within the AO this past month.

d. The battalion's first DENTCAP was held at the new Hoa Tho Dispensary on 29 November, resulting in dental treatment for eighteen Vietnamese.

4. WELFARE. A party for thirty children of the Sacred Heart Orphanage was given at the battalion messhall on 15 November. The 1st MAW band provided musical entertainment while the children ate a large meal. Picture books and toys were given to the children after the party.

5. CIVIC ACTION TRAINING

a. The S-5 gave all newly arrived personnel a personal response orientation class.

b. A total of 6½ hours of personal response

classes was given to 235 members of the battalion during the month of November.

6. PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS

a. The following leaflets, passes, and posters were handed out within the battalion TAOR:

<u>THEME</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>
Weapons Reward	1620
Reward and Pay Scale	1465
Join VC Weapons Searching Campaign	4700
Chieu Hoi	5380
Tell Government Where VC Are	80
Come Back to GVN	80
Safe Conduct	125
Denounce VC Cadre	150
Sanitation	5530
Reward for VC Leaders	40
Historical	100

BATTALION AID STATION

1. CHRONOLOGICAL DATA

a. Significant Events: Preventive medicine unit from FLC conducted its monthly sanitation inspection of the battalion, with no major discrepancies. A total of 2422 Vietnamese were treated in conjunction with the battalion medcap program.

b. New Developments: An adequate power source for emergencies has been provided for the medical bunker.

c. Problems Encountered: None

2. MILITARY PATIENT STATISTICAL DATA:

a. Average daily number of patients seen: 17

b. Average daily number of patients referred to other treating facilities for consultation, dental, x-ray, and laboratory work: 03

c. Routine medical complaint: colds

d. Significant disease peculiar to the area: none

e. Number of emergency treatments:

(1) Lacerations: 04

(2) Burns: 01

f. Innoculations and prophylactic medications:

(1) Innoculations: 215

(2) Malaria prophylaxis: 3425

g. Patients admitted to BAS ward: 00

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- h. Patients admitted to other facilities:
 (1) NSA Hospital: 10
 (2) 1st Medical Battalion: 13
- i. Patients MEDEVAC: 07

PART III
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. At 030045H November 1969, 19 82mm mortar rounds impacted in the MAG-16 cantonment (vic BT 063737). Damage was sustained by five CH-53 helicopters, four CH-46's, and 5 UH-1's, and nine personnel were WIA.
2. At 030850H November 1969, the body of a Vietnamese female was discovered in the river at the I Corps Bridge. No identification was possible due to the decomposition of the body. The body was turned over to Vietnamese authorities.
3. At 091140H November 1969, the body of a Vietnamese male was found in the river at the I Corps Bridge. The body had two gunshot wounds. The Vietnamese was classified a VCS due to the poncho, black shorts and leather cartridge belt found on his body.
4. At 092040H November 1969 personnel from "D" Company, 1st MP Bn, sighted eight personnel approaching positions to the south of the Cam Le Bridge (BT 025716). The area was illuminated by 60mm and 81mm mortars and a reconnaissance by fire was conducted using M-79 HE. Several persons were observed fleeing into the woodline at BT025716, after which no further movement was sighted.
5. At 101600H November 1969, "C" Company, 1st MP Bn, reported a grass fire had enveloped a marsh northwest of the Danang Air Base near the NSA Bulk Fuel Area (vic AT 998763). The fire was caused when a leaking fuel pump created a flow of jet fuel into the marsh area. Vietnamese children playing in the area ignited the fuel. Temporary evacuation of "C" Company bunkers 1 and 2 was forced by the fire, and extensive damage was sustained by light and communication lines.
6. At 160900H November 1969, a sweep by "B" Company resulted in the apprehension of six VCS (five male, one female) in My Thi (BT 054743). The VCS were turned over to 5th CIT for interrogation.
7. At 191000H November 1969, "C" Company completed a sweep in the vicinity of "Dog Patch" (AT 985773). Six USMC personnel who were UA from their units were

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apprehended. A seventh UA Marine was shot and killed when he attempted to fire at a member of the sweep force.

8. At 201800H November 1969, "B" Company personnel discovered a Vietnamese male with multiple shrapnel wounds (BT 068712). He was taken to NSA Hospital for treatment. 5th CIT questioned him, and after receiving conflicting stories transferred him to the POW ward for further questioning.

PART IV
CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

NONE.

