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Encl: (1) 1st Shore Party Battalion Command Chronology

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

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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ORGANIZATIONAL

<u>1. Designation</u>	<u>Commander</u>	<u>Date Occupied Billet</u>
1st Shore Party Battalion	Lt Col D. L. ANDERSON	1-31 August 1969

Subordinate Units

Company A	1st Lt G. HUTCHINSON	1-31 August 1969
Company B	1st Lt R. D. CLARK	1-31 August 1969
Company C	1st Lt J. R. HARRIS	1-31 August 1969
H&S Company	1st Lt S. D. VANNESS	1-31 August 1969

2. Location

1-31 August 1969	Da Nang RVN
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3. Staff Officers

Commanding Officer	Lt Col D. L. ANDERSON	1-31 August 1969
Executive Officer	Maj J. E. DUCK	1-31 August 1969
S/1 Adjutant	1st Lt J. L. SPARKS	1-31 August 1969
S/2-S/3	Capt R. W. EBERT	1-31 August 1969
S/4	1st Lt W. L. CARTER	1-31 August 1969

Average Monthly Strength

<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
20	392

<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
0	18

<u>OTHER</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
0	0

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PART II

Narrative Summary

During the period 1-31 August this Battalion provided Helicopter Support Teams for Operation "DURHAM PEAK" terminated on 13 August 1969 and "PIPESTONE CANYON" (Phase 4).

Company A continued to provide Helicopter Support for units of the 1st Marine Regiment and 26th Marine Regiment. On 20 August 1969 this company relieved "C" Company and took over the operation of the LSA at Hill 55, this was accomplished in conjunction with the movement of the 1st Marine Regiment to Hill 55, and continued operating LZ 412 for units of 1st and 2nd Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment. The following Landing Zones, 410 and 413 were closed in the meantime. The closing phase of Operation "DURHAM PEAK" continued. One (1) CP Group (1 Off & 5 Enl), and four (4) Helicopter Support Teams (2 Enl each), continued supporting 1st and 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines. This Company furnished five (5) Enlisted men to Company "B" to assist them in their LSA, as 1st Marines were resupplied from An Hoa Combat Base.

Company B continued to support the Fifth Marine Regiment at An Hoa Combat Base. B company continued to support Operation "DURHAM PEAK" until 13 August 1969 when it was officially terminated. Logistical support was provided for 1/11, 2/11, 1/1, 2/1, and a force from the ARVN 26th Ranger group as well as for the Fifth Marines.

Company C continued to support units of the 1st Marines and 7th Marines, from Hill 55 until 18 August 1969 at which time the Company moved to Hill 63 with the 7th Marine Regiment turning over Hill 55 LSA to Company A. LZ Ross and LZ West were activated by elements of this Company. On 29 August 1969 a multi-unit operation commenced, unit support by Company C were 1st, 2nd and 3rd Battalions, 7th Marines, and 1st Battalion, 51st ARVN Regiment. A mine sweep team continued to be furnished to 3rd Amphibious Tractor Battalion.

During the period 30 Vietnamese were treated under the Med-Cap program at HOA PHU Village. Twenty sheets of tin were given to build desks and cabinets for the dispensary. Four Phyops movies were shown at the Village with very good response by the people.

The Battalion sustained two (2) WIA during the reporting period.

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PART III

Sequential Listing of Significant EventsCompany A

- 1-31 August HST in support of 1st Marines.
- 1-31 August HST in support of 26th Marines.
- 20-31 August Assumed control LSA Hill 55 in support of 1st Marines.
- 1-13 August HST in support of Operation "DURHAM PEAK"

Company B

- 1-31 August Company operating LSA at AN HOA in support of 5th Marines.
- 1-31 August HST in support of Operation "PIPESTONE CANYON".
- 1-13 August HST in support of Operation "DURHAM PEAK",

Company C

- 1-19 August Operating LSA at Hill 55 in support of 7th Marines.
- 19-31 August Activated LSA Hill 63 in support of 7th Marines.
- 20-31 August Assumed control LZ West.
- 20-31 August Assumed control LZ Ross.
- 1-31 August Conducted mine sweep in DaNang TAOR.

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