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Marine Wing Headquarters Group One
1st Marine Aircraft Wing
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From: Commanding Officer
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Encl: ✓(1) Subject Report

1. In accordance with references (a) through (c), enclosure (1) is submitted.


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Command Chronology Report

2d Light Anti Aircraft Missile Battalion
Marine Wing Headquarters Group One
First Marine Aircraft Wing

Located At

Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam

1 August 1966 to 31 August 1966

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5750Part One, Organizational Data1. Commanders & Staff

a. Thomas I. GUNNING Battalion Commanding Officer	LtCol USMC 31 July 1966 to present
b. Milton C. KRAMER Battalion Executive Officer	Major USMC 25 July 1966 to present
c. Richard P. CAPATOSTO Battalion S-2/S-3	Captain USMC 5 May 1966 to present
d. John A. DESPOTAKIS Battalion S-4	Captain USMC 1 Feb 1966 to present
e. James H. ROSENTHAL Battalion S-1	2dLt USMC 15 Oct 1963 to present
f. Donald H. DIMWIDDLE H&S Battery Commanding Officer	Captain USMC 16 Sept 1965 to present
g. Leason N. McCOY H&S Battery Executive Officer	WO USMC 26 July 66 to 19 August 1966
h. Boyzy C. LONG H&S Battery Executive Officer	2dLt USMC 20 August 1966 to present
i. James W. GALLAWAY Battery A Commanding Officer	Captain USMC 1 Feb 1966 to present
j. James R. SCHEIB Battery A Executive Officer	1stLt USMC 7 July 1966 to 9 August 1966
k. Jeffery L. JOHNSON Battery A Executive Officer	1stLt USMC 10 August 1966 to present
l. David J. CHRISTENSEN Battery B Commanding Officer	1stLt USMC 6 June 1966 to present
m. John T. KNESS Battery B Executive Officer	1stLt USMCR 6 June 1966 to present
n. James D. KOPPANG Battery C Commanding Officer	Captain USMC 21 July 1966 to present
o. Richard M. ANDREWS Battery C Executive Officer	1stLt USMC 1 Feb 1966 to present

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57502. Task Organization and Unit Location

- a. No Task Organization
- b. Battery A, 2d Light Anti Aircraft Missile Battalion, Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam, 10 September 1965 to present.
- c. Battery B, 2d Light Anti Aircraft Missile Battalion, Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam, 10 September 1965 to present.
- d. Battery C, 2d Light Anti Aircraft Missile Battalion, Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam, 10 September 1965 to present.
- e. H&S Battery, 2d Light Anti Aircraft Missile Battalion, Chu Lai, Republic of Vietnam, 15 September 1965 to present.

3. Average Monthly Strength

- a. Battery A 77
- b. Battery B 71
- c. Battery C 70
- d. H&S Battery 280

4. Important Visitors

- a. On 8 August 1966, Major General A.R. KIER toured Battery B accompanied by LtCol T.I. GUNNING.
- b. On 9 August 1966, Colonel ATWATER, Commanding Officer Marine Wing Headquarters Group One and Sergeant Major CARR visited the Battery A and Battery B sites accompanied by LtCol T.I. GUNNING.
- c. On 16 August 1966, Mr. John GRABOWSKI accompanied by Raytheon Technical Representative Jim BUCKMASTER went on a tour of Battery B. Mr. GRABOWSKI is the Hawk Field Support Department Manager for Raytheon in Andover Mass.
- d. On 17 August Brigadier General H.M. EIWOOD, Assistant Wing Commander First Marine Aircraft Wing, visited the battalion.
- e. On 24 August 1966, Major General L.B. ROBERTSHAW, Commanding General, First Marine Aircraft Wing, visited the battalion.

Part Two, Significant Highlights

- 1. None

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57501. Personnel

a. SSgt. J.B. CLARK Jr. of H&S Battery was promoted to his present rank on 1 August 1966.

b. SSgt. A.B. SALAS and SSgt. D.M. IVIE of Battery B were promoted to their present ranks on 1 August 1966.

c. Corporal B.K. GABRIEL of Battery C was meritoriously promoted to his present rank on 1 August 1966.

d. A formation was held by the battalion commanding officer at Battery A, promoting 1st Sergeant PADULA to Sergeant Major and Sergeant BARNES to Staff Sergeant; the Battalion Commander also promoted five men to the rank of Corporal and five men to the rank of Lance Corporal of 2 August 1966.

e. First Lieutenant J.L. JOHNSON was awarded a regular commission; LtCol T.I. GUNNING presented the warrant on 5 August 1966.

f. First Lieutenant James R. SCHEIB was transferred from Battery A to H&S; Lieutenant Jeffery L. JOHNSON assumed the duties as the Battery A Executive Officer on 10 August 1966.

g. First Lieutenant W.O. BUSSEY was awarded a regular commission; LtCol T.I. GUNNING presented the warrant on 24 August 1966.

h. Corporal M.E. HORNING of Battery B was meritoriously promoted to his present rank on 26 August 1966.

i. During the month of August, the following officers joined the Battalion:

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| 1. | 1stLt Robert L. MATTHEWS | on 2 August 1966 |
| 2. | 1stLt Walter O. BUSSEY | on 4 August 1966 |
| 3. | C.M.O.-2 Thomas M. SZABO | on 7 August 1966 |
| 4. | Capt. John W. CHESSON | on 8 August 1966 |
| 5. | 2dLt Dewey E. AMICK | on 9 August 1966 |
| 6. | Lt Bobby J. KIDD U.S.N. | on 12 August 1966 |
| 7. | 2dLt William F. MURPHY | on 16 August 1966 |

j. During the month of August the following officers left the Battalion:

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| 1. | 2dLt Harold J. BARBER | on 20 August 1966 |
| 2. | 2dLt Frank H. DOWDEN | on 20 August 1966 |
| 3. | 2dLt Roberto P. MAURICIO | on 20 August 1966 |
| 4. | Lt. James H. DEEKEN U.S.N. | on 20 August 1966 |
| 5. | WO Leason N. MCCOY | on 20 August 1966 |

2. Casualties. None

3. Morale and Welfare. None

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57504. Civil Affairs

a. Colonel CASEY, 1st Marine Division G-5, Colonel ALTMAN, 1st Marine Division Inspector, and Captain CONGLESS, U.S.N., 1st Marine Division Dental Officer were taken on a tour of civic action projects on Ky Hoa Island on 24 August 1966. The tour of the island included a short visit at the Battery A position and a briefing on the Hawk Missile System.

b. MedCap personnel treated a total of 2,257 persons on Ky Hoa Island and gave evacuation assistance to four adults and one child. The child received an eye operation aboard the Hospital Ship REPOSE.

c. Civil affairs personnel delivered 80 pounds of clothing and 60 pounds of school supplies to the hamlets. They also constructed a road across the island. Assistance and material was given for construction of a maternity clinic, which is about 1/3 completed. Almost daily contact has been made with village and hamlet chiefs in coordination of all work being done.

5. Local Security

a. At approximately 2130, on 15 August, rocks were thrown at the sentries on posts 2 and 3 of Battery A. This had happened in the past and the villagers near the battery had professed innocence. They were warned that any further such incidents would prompt a reply in the form of grenades. In this instance eleven grenades were thrown throughout the evening, with negative results. Examination of the terrain the following morning indicated the rocks came a greater distance than a person could have thrown them. It is believed that the rocks were thrown by a sling from outside grenade range.

b. On 19 August Battery C received three rounds of small arms fire at 0330 and one more round of small arms fire at approximately 2100. In each case, their local security was appropriately reinforced and adjacent units notified. No further developments occurred in either case. No personnel were hit; no equipment was damaged.

6. Motor Transport. During the month of August 1966 this battalion provided 169 vehicles, travelling 8,775 miles in support of the Chu Lai Combat Base.

7. Supply

a. Significant highlights of supply activities during the month of August, were the submission of 1,309 requisitions; of this total 167 were priority 02, and 364 were priority 05.

b. The Red Ball status is as follows:

	May	June	July
Nominated	76	59	84
Completed	65	39	23
Outstanding	11	20	61
Average days to complete	47	34	25

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- a. Normal GMS Training was carried on in all batteries.
- b. There were eight correspondence courses completed within the battalion during the month of August.
- c. Participation in correspondence courses is as follows:
 1. Battery A 40%
 2. Battery B 58%
 3. Battery C 74%
 4. H&S Battery 30%
 5. Composite percentage 41%

9. Communications. During the past month the Communications Section completed the communications system for the new forward bunker complex. The section was also host to an FMFPac contact instruction team on 29 August. This team provided instruction on the new F.M. family of radios and covered the present T/E equipment. The section had 1 officer and 27 enlisted in attendance.



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