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Operational Summary
 010001H to 102400H Mar 1966

CoB 3dATBn(Rein), 3dMarDiv(Rein) FMF

Capt R. F. IANPHIER, Commanding

<u>Plt</u>	<u>Plt Cmdr</u>	<u>MC Enl</u>	<u>Navy Enl</u>	<u>COORD</u>
Hq	GySgt VALUNAS	23	2	533089
1st	SSgt STEWART	22	0	524087
2nd	1stLt MAHER	23	0	464073
3d	2ndLt THIERLOT	19	0	533089

1. Operations

a. The company remains in direct support of the 1st Marine Regiment. The 3d platoon, CoA, 1stATBn was joined by this company as of 1 March.

b. Headquarters Platoon continues in support of the gun platoons providing maintenance, logistical and administrative support. At 080530 a wrecker, MRC-36 and a M-37 with 8 Marines as armed security departed the company CP and proceeded to (BT 398149) to retrieve one Ontos, which had mechanical trouble. The Ontos was towed to the company area and repaired.

c. 1st Platoon continues in direct support of the 1st Battalion, 4th Marines manning defensive positions along the MLR at (BT 5209) and (BT 5210). During this reporting period the platoon did not participate in any operations.

d. 2nd Platoon on 1 March reverted to the direct support of the 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines with defensive positions on Hill 69 complex. At 010715H the light section escorted one platoon from CoG, 2ndBn, 4th Marines to (BT 431109) and then to (BT 431108). At 1100H the light section escorted the platoon back to their positions and returned to Hill 69 complex. At 071830 the light section escorted CoE, 2nd Battalion, 4th Marines to (BT 398149). At 2000 B-25 received 3 rounds of small arms fire. Due to mechanical difficulty the Ontos was unable to return fire. No damage was received. The vehicle was towed into the company CP the next morning and repaired. The other Ontos proceeded back to Hill 69.

e. 3d Platoon CoA, 1stATBn was joined on the rolls on 1 March. They remained in direct support of the 3d Battalion, 1st Marines. No operations were conducted.

2. Statistics

a. 2nd Platoon - convoy escort 1Mar
 convoy escort 7Mar
 Ontos-infantry ambush 7Mar

b. None
 c. None
 d. None
 e. None
 f. None

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3. Training - a company training program is being conducted on the platoon level. The Ontos platoons are required to conduct 21 hours of instruction on the maintenance and use of the M50A1's and 7 hours on General Military Subjects. Headquarters Platoon is required to conduct 7 hours of instruction on General Military Subjects.

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PART I

1. Reporting Unit - 3d Antitank Battalion (Rein)
2. Period covered - 1-31 Mar 1966
3. Date of Submission - 10 Apr 1966
4. Commanding Officer - 1-31 Mar 1966
Lieutenant Colonel BRUCE A. HEFLIN
5. Command Post - Republic of South Vietnam (AT987711) Map SWN
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PART II

1. Operational Data, including attachments

a. Designation/Location

(1) 3d Antitank Bn. (Rein) (Command Group)	(DaNang TAOR)
(a) Headquarters and Service Co. (-)	(DaNang TAOR)
(b) "A" Co. (Rein)	(DaNang TAOR)
(c) "B" Co. (-) (Rein)	(Hue Phu Bai TAOR)
(d) "C" Co. (Rein)	(DaNang TAOR)

b. Period covered by report: 1-31 March 1966

c. Name/Rank of Commanding Officer and Staff, or principle subordinates including T/O billet assignment.

BATTALION HEADQUARTERS

Commanding Officer.....	LtCol B. H. HEFLIN
Executive Officer.....	Maj E. H. GRAHAM
S-1/Adj.....	2ndLt G. DOHSE
S-2.....	Maj O. R. EDMONDSON 1-28 Mar66 Maj E. R. LARSON 29-31 Mar66
S-3.....	Maj O. R. EDMONDSON 1-28 Mar66 Maj E. R. LARSON 29-31 Mar66
S-3A.....	Unassigned 1-22 Mar66 Maj E. R. LARSON 23-28 Mar66 Unassigned 29-31 Mar66
Liaison Officer.....	Unassigned
S-4 Officer.....	Capt K. E. SHARFF
Supply Officer.....	1stLt A. ANDAZOLA
Motor Transport Officer.....	1stLt D. L. TAYLOR 1-18 Mar66 Unassigned 19-22 Mar66 1stLt H. R. MARWICZ 23-31 Mar66
Ordnance/Maintenance Officer.....	1stLt B. M. MATHEWS
Communication Officer.....	MSGT J. S. KRAJENSE
Medical Officer.....	HMC G. K. LAW, USN

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Operational Summary
210001H to 312400H Mar 1966

CoB 3dATBn(Rein), 3dMarDiv(Rein) FMF

Capt R. F. LANPHIER, Commanding

<u>Plt</u>	<u>Plt Cndr</u>	<u>MC Enl</u>	<u>Navy Enl</u>	<u>COORD</u>
Hq	GySgt VALUNAS	23	2	YD8941143
2nd	LtLt NOONAN	21	0	YD8941143
3d	Sgt KENNEDY	17	0	YD8941143

1. Operations

a. The company remains in direct support of the 4th Marine Regiment.

b. Headquarters Platoon embarked aboard the AKA 105 USS SKAGIT on 24 March and departed the Chu Lai enclave 25 March and arrived Phu Bai the evening of 25 March. Initial offloading began 1730 and Headquarters arrived at the company GP at 0930 26 March. Temporary camp construction was completed by 29 March. The company with two gun platoons are billeted in 3 strongback GP Tents and 6 GP Tents. Minor damage was incurred by the motor transport vehicles during embarkation.

c. 2nd Platoon is located in the company area and supports the 2dBn, 1st Marines. The heavy and light section alternate on nightly bases defensive positions along the M.L.R. The positions are (YD878154)(YD883153)(YD889153)(YD878113)(YD878117)(YD880120)

d. 3d Platoon is located in the company area and supports the 3dBn, 4th Marines. One Ontos is deadline for an engine replacement. The platoon has remained in the company conducting routine maintenance.

2. Statistics

- a. None
- b. None
- c. None
- d. None
- e. None
- f. None

3. Training - no training has been conducted during this period. A training program is being developed.

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Operational Summary
210001H to 312400H Mar 1966

CoE 3dATBn(Rein), 3dMarDiv(Rein) FMF

Capt R. F. LANPHER, Commanding

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Hq	GySgt VALUNAS	23	2	YD8941A3
2nd	1stLt NOGMAN	21	0	YD8941A3
3d	Sgt KENNEDY	17	0	YD8941A3

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C. R. 3d AT Bn

31-31 Mar 66


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OPERATIONS SUMMARY 1 - 10 Mar 1966

Company "C", 3dATBn (Rein)

Captain F. FIRING, Commanding

	PltComdr	No Off	No Enl	No Navy	Grid Coord
CoHqs	N/A	1	30	1	998723
1stPlt	SSgt. ABRAMOWICZ	0	20	0	990678
2ndPlt	1stLt. WOOD	1	19	0	066719
3rdPlt	2ndLt. CASWELL	1	19	0	990678
4thPlt	Sgt. ZIMMERMAN	0	20	0	974706

1. OPERATIONS

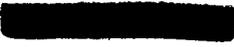
a. The general disposition of the Company remained unchanged; 1st platoon with 2/9, 2nd platoon with 3/9, 4th platoon with 3/3, and the 3rd platoon augmenting the 1st and 4th platoons. There was very little action for this reporting period.

b. SUMMARY OF PLATOON ACTIONS

(1) 1st platoon. The platoon commenced the reporting period with 1-2 with Company M, 3/3 at An Trach; 1-3 and 1-5 with Company G at 983658, 1-4 with Company H at 023654 and 1-1 at Battalion Maintenance. There was no action and no change in disposition until the 5th when 1-2 was withdrawn from An Trach to Battalion Maintenance where it remained for the remainder of the reporting period. At the same time 1-5 was withdrawn to the platoon CP for the remainder of the reporting period. There was no action, no contact, and no rounds expended and the disposition is now as follows: 1-1 at platoon CP; 1-2 at Battalion Maintenance; 1-3 and 1-5 at Company G; and 1-4 with Company H.

(2) 2nd platoon. This platoon commenced the reporting period with 2-1 and 2-2 with Company I, 3/9 and 2-4 and 2-5 with Company L, 3/9 and 2-3 in Battalion Maintenance. The four vehicles in operation spent the first two days in the platoon CP for Preventive Maintenance. On the 3rd, 2-1 and 2-3 (released from deadline) participated in a sweep of grid squares 1561, 1360, 1162, and 1263. No contact.

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C-1, 3d AT Bn

1-10 Mar 66

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On the 4th 2-1 and 2-3 went to Company L at 094658 and 2-2 and 2-4 went to Company I at 065644. 2-5 was in Battalion Maintenance. There was no further action until the 6th when both sections participated in a sweep from 077658 to 072698. There was no contact reported.

The following day these same vehicles participated in a sweep of area bounded by 056640, 0764, 080610 and 058600. There was no contact reported. On the 9th the vehicles participated in a search and destroy operation in area bounded by 034683, 048685, 050657 and 032648. There was no contact reported. On the 10th 2-5 was released from maintenance and replaced 2-4 which went to maintenance. All other vehicles were withdrawn to the platoon CP. While in this vicinity 2-1 received four or five small arms rounds at about 1330. As the direction from which the fire had emanated could not be determined, it was not returned. There were no casualties. One VCS (female) was seen running from the area and was apprehended and turned over to an infantry patrol in the area. The vehicles missed out the reporting period in the platoon CP except for 2-4 which remained at Battalion Maintenance.

(3) 3rd platoon. This platoon is still augmenting the 1st and 4th platoons. Vehicles 3-1 and 3-4 were with Company I, 3/3 on Hill 55. There was no action for this section except on the 7th when they escorted a convoy from the hill to the Ha Dong bridge. There was no contact. On the 10th these two vehicles were withdrawn to the Company CP for preventive maintenance. Vehicle 3-2 spent the reporting period with Company H, 2/9 and reported no operations or action. 3-3 commenced this period at the 4th platoon CP, but on the 2nd was withdrawn to Battalion Maintenance where it remained until the evening of the 9th. On the 10th this vehicle was sent to An Trach and reported no action that day. Vehicle 3-5 began the reporting period with Company H, 2/9. It was not involved in any action there and on the 8th was sent to An Trach with Company M, 3/3. On the 9th it acted as a blocking force at 976644 for Company M in a sweep. There was no action reported.

(4) 4th platoon. The platoon commenced the reporting period with 4-3 and 4-5 with Company L, 3/3 on Hill 22, 4-1 (and 1-2) with Company M, 3/3 at An Trach, 4-4 (and 3-3) at 4th platoon CP, and 4-2 deadlined at Battalion. 3-3 was withdrawn to Battalion Maintenance. On the 2nd 4-1 and 1-2 went on a sweep with Company L. There was no contact. On the 5th, these vehicles again went out with Company L, but there was no contact. However 1-2 developed trouble and was withdrawn to the 1st platoon CP and replaced by 4-4. On the 6th 4-1 and 4-4 went on another sweep. No contact was reported. On the 8th 4-4 developed trouble and was replaced with 3-5 and on the 9th 4-1 and 3-5 went out with Company M. No contact was reported. There was no further action reported.

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c. STATISTICS

- (1) Operation. 1st platoon - 0 2nd platoon - 4
3rd platoon - 2 4th platoon - 4
- (2) Patrols. None
- (3) Casualties. None
- (4) Weapons Captured. None
- (5) Weapons Lost. None
- (6) Ontos. There were no fire missions for this reporting period.

2. TRAINING

a. There was no formal training for this period but sections continue On-the-Job training.

b. N/A

F. Firing
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OPERATIONS SUMMARY 11 - 20 Mar 1966

Company "C", 3dATBn (Rein)		Captain F. FIRING, Commanding			
	PltComdr	No Off	No Enl	No Navy	Grid Coord
CoHqs	N/A	1	27	1	998723
1stPlt	SSgt ABRAMOWICZ	0	20	0	990678
2ndPlt	1stLt. WOOD	1	19	0	074657
3rdPlt	2ndLt. CASWELL	1	19	0	990678
4thPlt	Sgt ZIMMERMAN	0	21	0	974706

1. OPERATIONS

a. The general disposition of the Company remained unchanged; 1st platoon with 2/9, 2nd platoon with 3/9, 4th platoon with 3/3, and the 3rd platoon augmenting the 1st and 4th platoons. There was very little action for this reporting period.

b. SUMMARY OF PLATOON ACTIONS

(1) 1st platoon. The platoon commenced the reporting period with 1-1 at the platoon CP, 1-2 at Battalion Maintenance, 1-3 and 1-5 at Company G, and 1-4 with Company H. On 11 March 1-1 was released from maintenance and sent to Company H. The disposition remained unchanged for the reporting period with no operations and no contact. The platoon test fired at Hoa Cam Training Area on 15 March firing 33 106 mm HEP-T rounds and 140 cal. .50 spotting rounds.

(2) 2nd platoon. The platoon commenced the reporting period with 2-4 at Battalion Maintenance, (where it remained for the entire period) and the remainder at the platoon CP. There was no change until the 14th when the four available vehicles participated in a sweep of area bounded by 127636-092627-093644-111656. There was no contact reported and the vehicles returned to the platoon CP. On the 18th the platoon CP displaced to the new location (074657). On the 19th 2-3 was deadlined and replaced with 3-1 and on the 20th the four vehicles participated in a sweep of Ten My (1) area. There was no contact reported and the vehicles returned to the platoon CP.

(3) 3rd platoon. This platoon is being used to augment the remaining platoons. The platoon commenced the reporting period with 3-1 and 3-4 at the Company CP, 3-2 with Company H, and 3-3 and 3-5 at An Trach with Company M, 3/3.

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On the 11th 3-3 and 3-5 returned to the 1st platoon CP and vehicles 3-1 and 3-4 were sent to Battalion Maintenance for a quarterly. 3-2 was at the 1st platoon CP. On the 13th, 3-3 and 3-5 were used as escort vehicles from Yen Ne (1) to An Trach (3) and returned to the 1st platoon CP with no contact reported. On the 15th 3-2, 3-3, and 3-5 participated in a FIREX at Hoa Cam Training Area with the 1st platoon. They fired 15 106 mm HEP-T rounds and 90 cal. .50 spotting rounds. There was no change in the disposition until the 17th when 3-2 and 3-3 were sent to the 4th platoon for assignment to Hill 55 with Company I, 3/3, and 3-5 was sent to Battalion Maintenance. On the 19th 3-2 was used to guard a detail working on the road between Ha Dong bridge and Hill 55. No contact was reported. Vehicle 3-1 was sent to the 2nd platoon to replace 2-3 (deadlined) and participated in a sweep with that platoon on the 20th with no contact reported.

(4) 4th platoon. This platoon commenced the reporting period with 4-1 and 4-3 (4-3 replacing 3-3) with Company M, 3/3 at An Trach (1), 4-4 and 4-5 with Company L, 3/3 on Hill 22, and 4-2 at Battalion Maintenance. The situation remained static until 17 March when the vehicles with Company M participated in an operation and fired two (2) 106 mm HEP-T rounds and 250 rounds of caliber .30 linked at three (3) VC in a cane field vicinity 967653 with undetermined results. On the same day vehicles 3-2 and 3-3 were attached to this platoon and assigned to Hill 55 with Company I, 3/3. On 18 March vehicles 4-1 and 4-3 were dispatched to assist a squad pinned down by fire and help evacuate wounded. There was no contact as the VC apparently withdrew. On 19 March 3-2 was assigned to guard a detail working on the road between Ha Dong bridge and Hill 55 (The detail had received automatic fire the previous day). There was no contact reported. There was no further action during the reporting period and the disposition is as follows:

- 3-2 and 3-3 with Company I, 3/3;
- 4-4 and 4-5 with Company L, 3/3;
- 4-3 and 4-1 with Company M, 3/3;
- 4-2 at Battalion Maintenance.

c. STATISTICS

- (1) OPERATIONS. 1st platoon 0 3rd platoon 0
2nd platoon 2 4th platoon 2
- (2) PATROLS. None
- (3) CASUALTIES. None
- (4) WEAPONS CAPTURED. None
- (5) WEAPONS LOST. None
- (6) ONTOS. One mission fired; two (2) 106 mm HEP-T rounds and 250 rounds of caliber .30 linked.

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2. TRAINING

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a. Elements of the 1st and 3rd platoon conducted a FIREX on the 15th stressing quick reaction and fire and maneuver. Fired a total of 230 caliber .50 spotting rounds and 48 106 mm HEP-T. Results were good. On the 17th the 4th platoon conducted familiarization firing with small arms and automatic weapons firing 100 rounds of caliber .45 and 230 rounds of caliber .30 linked.

b. N/A

F. Firing
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Fired I&I fires every night of reporting period. Firing position, hill 350 above esno plant. Fired into Grid Sq. 8986, 8987, 8988 and 8989. 116 rounds M16 expended on I&I fires. Eight hours of school held on new ONTOS crewmen. One hour of school held on 1316. ONTOS A-11 and A-14 remain on deadline for track. All other ONTOS operational.

2nd Platoon Co "A" 1st AFVN. From 11 to 12 March, heavy section ONTOS, light section Tanks, and H-2/1 conducted search and clear operation in village of "Jiale" in northern sector of 2/1 TACR. ONTOS were employed at blocking force, 1000 meters to the west of the village. No contact, negative results. On 13 to 15 March, heavy section ONTOS supported H-2/1 on a search and clear operation at the junction of Hwy 21 and Route 114. No contact, negative results. One ONTOS used nightly for Sn C.I. security. No classes held due to five minute stand-by alert during reporting period. All ONTOS operational.

c. Statistics.

- (1) Two, Search and Clear; one w/H-2/1; one w/L-2/1
2nd Platoon Co "A" 1st AFVN
- (2) - (5) None
- (6) M16-T 250; Cal..30 7751k

2. TRAINING.

- a. CJT for all personnel in respective HCS.
 - (1) one hour UCMJ
- b. No problem areas encountered.

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NAVMC 219-GS (REV. 5-63)
SUPERSEDES 2-52 AND 8-56 EDITIONS WHICH WILL BE USED

UNIT OR SECTION Heavy Fist 2/3, 3d Antitank Bn	
PLACE DaNang, South Vietnam	
FROM (Date and hour) 140001H	TO (Date and hour) 142400H Mar66

TIME		SERIAL NO.	DATE TIME GROUP	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS	ACTION TAKEN	
IN	OUT				M-Maps S-Staff	T-Troops F-File
0630		1		From 2400-0630 50 % security No enemy contact Normal CP Operations continued		F
1205		2		Recd. call from Senator that suicide squad that broke up rally the other night was located in Yen Bac.		F
1208		3		Reaction plt roused and put on 5 min standby		F
1210		4		Liasion arrange w/ ^{2d} Bn. tank to provide blocking force for purpose of sweep.		F
1215		5		Liaison arranged w/Hoa Vang for assistance in sweep (Plt P.F's)		F
1320		6		3/3 (Swain) opns officer notified of our activity in their area.		F
1322		7		HF-3 called for helicopter air support for sweep		F
1340		8		O.K. on helicopter support		
1600		9		Action secured with negative results A cave located at (AT984706) was destroyed Two VCS were apprehended. They were taken to the Hoa Vang District Headquarters for interrogation.		F
1605		9		Maintenance section continued work on ontos vehicles C-34, C-32, C-12 and C-33.		F
1635		11		Maj. BROWN, protocol O called and said that Gen KYLE will be here from 1300-1340 on the 16th. LtGen KRULAK will be here from 0945 to 1045 on the 17th of Mar66. They both will visit the Bn & Yen Bac.		F
1730		12		Received call from Capt RUSSEL Shove-3 informing us of visit by Gen Wood D. KYLE on 16 Mar 1250-1300. He will be enroute to 3d ATBn by helo 1300-1340 briefing/tour of 3dATBn		F
1915		13		Reaction sqd departed on mission (See Ser. #6) 1st Amtrac notified of group leaving our North gate.		F

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PRIORITY ROUTINEFM CO, 3D ANTITANK BN. (-) (RUM) (RUM)
TO CG, THIRD MARDIV

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SITREP NUMBER 228 AS OF 011800/021800H MAR 66

1. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

- A. THE 3D PLT, CO "A" 1ST ATBN WAS PLACED UNDER ADMINISTRATIVE CONTROL OF THE 3D ATBN EFFECTIVE AS OF 28 FEB 66.
- B. THIS PLATOON IS WITH CO "B" 3D ATBN AT THE CHU LAI ENCLAVE.
- C. THEIR G.P. LOCATION IS (BT93909).

BRUCE A. REFLIN

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PRIORITY ROUTINE

FM CG, 3D ANTITANK BN. (-) (REIN)
TO CG, THIRD MARDIV

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SITREP NUMBER 229 IS OF 061800/071800Z MAR 66

1. COMMAND POST LOCATIONS

DANANG TAOR

H&S CO 3D ANTITANK BN (-) (REIN)

AT98771

"A" CO (-) (REIN)

AT98761

1st FLT

AT98719

2ND FLT

AT98761

1ST FLT, CO "A" 1ST ATBN

AT98782

"C" CO (REIN)

AT99073

1ST FLT

AT99078

2ND FLT

BT060719

3RD FLT

AT990678

3RD FLT "B" CO 3D ATBN

AT974706

CHU LAI TAOR

"B" CO (-) (REIN)

BT513029

1ST FLT

BT521087

2ND FLT

BT664073

3d FLT Co A, 1st ATBN

"C" CO (REIN) 1ST ATBN

BT560048

1ST FLT

BT560048

2ND FLT

BT909028

3RD FLT

BT560048

HUE PHU BAI TAOR

2ND FLT "A" CO 1ST ATBN

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PRIORITY ROUTINE

FM CO, 3D ANTITANK BN (-) (REIN)
TO CG, THIRD MARDIV

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SITREP NUMBER 230 AS OF 102400H/112400H MAR 66

1. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

- A. THE 3D PLATOON (REIN), CO "A" 1ST ATBN WAS PLACED ADCON THIS BATTALION AS OF 201600 JAN 66.
- B. THIS PLATOON IS UNDER CONTROL OF CO "B" LOCATED IN THE CHU LAI ENCLAVE.
- C. THE PRESENT CP LOCATION OF THE PLATOON IS (BT533089)

BRUCE A. HEFLIN

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PRIORITY ROUTINE

FM CO, 3D ANTI TANK BN (-) (REIN)
TO CG, THIRD MARDIV

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SITREP NUMBER 231 AS OF 132400N/142400H MAR66

1. COMMAND POST LOCATIONS

DANANG TAOR

<u>HQS CO 3D ANTI TANK BN (-) (REIN)</u>	AT987711
<u>"A" CO (-) (REIN)</u>	AT942761
1ST PLT	AT932719
2ND PLT	AT942761
1ST PLT, CO "A" 1ST ATBN	AT944782
<u>"C" CO (REIN)</u>	AT998723
1ST PLT	AT990878
2ND PLT	BT066719
3RD PLT	AT990678
3RD PLT, "B" CO 3D ATBN	AT974706

CHU LAI TAOR

<u>"B" CO (-) (REIN)</u>	BT539089
1ST PLT	BT521087
2ND PLT	BT661073
3RD PLT, CO "A" 1ST ATBN	BT539089
<u>"C" CO (-) (REIN)</u>	BT560048
1ST PLT	BT561016
2ND PLT	BT509028
3RD PLT	BT560048

HUE PHU BAI TAOR

<u>2ND PLT "A" CO 1ST ATBN</u>	XD882111
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2. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD.

A. THE 3D ANTI TANK BN. REACTION PLATOON REINFORCED BY A PLATOON OF AMFM FROM THE HOA VANG AND A PLATOON (-) FROM 3D TANK BN. CONDUCTED A S&M MISSION.

B. THE S&M MISSION WAS IN THE VICINITY OF YEN BAG (1) (AT985702). THE MISSION WAS IN REACTION TO A REPORT RECEIVED FROM THE 9TH MARI. THE REPORT STATED THAT AN ASSASSINATION SQUAD OF VC WERE LOCATED IN THE YEN BAG AREA. THE VC SQUAD IS BELIEVED TO BE THE SAME UNIT THAT WOUND ED 15 AND KILLED ONE VIETNAMESE AT A MEETING IN PHONG BAG (1) (AT985703) ON 11 MARCH 1966.

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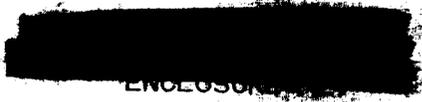
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C. RESULTS: TWELVE VCS WERE APPREHENDED. THEY WERE TAKEN TO HOA VANG DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS. A TUNNEL 3' x 3' x 6' WAS FOUND AT (AT984706). IT WAS PARTIALLY DESTROYED. PLANS ARE FOR COMPLETE DESTRUCTION ON 190900H MAR66. AN AMBUSH UNIT OF A SQUAD (-) WILL BE LOCATED IN THE VICINITY OF THE TUNNEL THIS EVENING FROM 161900H MAR66 TO 190730H MAR66.

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PRIORITY ROUTINE

**FM CO, 3D ARTITANK BN. (-) (REIN)
TO CG, THIRD MARDIV**

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SITREP NUMBER 232 IS OF 142400H/152400H MAR66

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1. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

A. THE CAVE LOCATED AT (AT984706) BY THE R&D MISSION NOTED ON SITREP NO. 231 IS OF 132400H/142400H MAR66 WAS DESTROYED.

B. ON A JOINT ARVN AND USMC R&D PATROL OF THE SAME AREA THIS DATE, TWO VCS WERE APPREHENDED. THE ARVN WERE FROM THE HOA VANG DISTRICT HEADQUARTERS. THE TWO VCS WERE TAKEN TO THAT HEADQUARTERS FOR INTERROGATION.

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PRIORITY ROUTINE

FM CG, 3D AVIATION BN. (-) (RWIN)
TO CG, THIRD MARDIV

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SITREP NUMBER 293 AS OF 262400/272400H MAR66

1. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

A. AT 271515H A FIRE TEAM (RWIN) SIZED PATROL RECEIVED FOUR ROUNDS OF AUTOMATIC FIRE FROM VC LOCATED AT (AT991698). THE PATROL RETURNED 70-00 ROUNDS OF RIFLE FIRE AT THE 7-8 VC FROM THEIR POSITION VICINITY OF THE BAG (AT985701). THE VC WITHDREW AFTER THE MARINES RETURNED FIRE.

B. THE SMALL GROUP OF VC WERE NOTED AT THE POINT FROM WHICH THE FIRE ORIGINATED DRESSED IN PEASANT CLOTHING, ONLY ONE WAS NOTED IN BLACK PAJAMAS, AND HE WAS ARMED WITH THE AUTOMATIC WEAPON.

C. NO CONFIRMED VC CASUALTIES, AND NO MARINE CASUALTIES.

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FM CG, 3D AIRTANK BN (-) (REIN)
TO CG, THIRD MARDIV

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OPERATION NUMBER 234 AND CP 272400H/282400H MAR66

1. CONTINUED HOST LOCATIONS

DANANG TAOR

1B3 CG, 3D AIRTANK BN (-) (REIN)

AT987711

"A" CO (-) (REIN)

AT942761

1ST FLT

AT942761

2ND FLT

AT954719

1ST FLT, CO "A" 1ST ATBN

AT944782

"B" CO (REIN)

AT998723

1ST FLT

AT990678

2ND FLT

BT074657

3RD FLT

AT990678

3RD FLT, "B" CO 3D ATBN

AT974706

CHU LAI TAOR

* 1ST FLT CO "B" 3D ATBN

BT524087

* 2ND FLT CO "B" 3D ATBN

BT464073

* 3RD FLT CO "A" 1ST ATBN

BT533089

* "C" CO (-) (REIN), 1ST ATBN

BT547016

1ST FLT

BT547016

2ND FLT

BT509028

3RD FLT

BT547016

HUE PHU BAI TAOR

* "A" CO (-) (REIN)

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2ND FLT "A" CO 1ST ATBN

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** 3RD FLT CO "A" 3D ATBN

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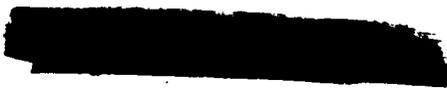
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** THIS COMPANY TO BE CHANGED 291500H MAR66 (CG MSG #271210Z MAR66)

*** CHANGE LOCATION UNFINC N, PRESENT STATUS D/S 4TH MARINES (CG MSG #261408Z)

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3d Antitank Battalion (Rein)
3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
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3100.2
21 Mar 1966

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 3d Antitank Battalion (Rein)
Subj: Periodic Operations Summary 110001H to 202400H Mar 1966
Ref: (a) DnO 3100.2

PERIODIC OPERATIONS REPORT

Company "A" Captain S. R. STEWART, Commanding

	<u>FMF.CDR</u>	<u>NO.OFF</u>	<u>NO.ENL.</u>	<u>NO.NAVY</u>	<u>GRID COORD.</u>
CoDqs		1	25	2	942761
1stilt	2/Lt MCALDER	1	23	0	942761
2ndilt	1/Lt KINGSTON	1	22	0	954719
1stilt, CoA, 1stATBn	SSgt WEBB	0	20	0	944782
2ndilt, CoA, 1stATBn	1/Lt MOHRAN	1	21	0	888143

Co "A"; SEAT Km

1. OPERATIONS.

a. Company "A" continues in direct support of 3d Marines with two platoons in direct support of infantry battalions; one platoon attached to an infantry battalion and one platoon in reserve. Highlights for the reporting period include 134 rounds of M&I fire, schooling and application of indirect fire for 2ndilt, 3dATBn.

b. Company Headquarters. Continues to provide logistical, technical and administrative support to gun platoons. 2nd Lt. RUISEY transferred to Headquarters Battalion as Division Commanders aide-de-camp. SSgt WEBB assumed command of 1stilt, Co "A" 1stATBn.

1st Platoon, Co "A", 3dATBn. Normal routine for reporting period. On 17 March 1966 A-15 received small arms fire at "Sierra" returned fire, 775 rounds .30 cal., results unknown. During reporting period classes held on gunners quadrant, firing panel and dry firing with all crews. All Ontos operational.

2nd Platoon, Co "A", 3dATBn. Completed firing of all ONTOS, at Ly My. Fired 16 rounds M&I fire at Ly My 13 March 1966 at 2000-0200 14 March 1966. Held road march for vehicle exercise on 17 March 1966. Stated road march at Co C.P. and went to Esco Plant and back, all ONTOS operational.

1st Platoon, Co "A", 1stATBn

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1st Platoon, Co "A", 1stATBn. Continues in direct support of 1/3. Four ONTOS deployed during reporting period. Two at LyMy and two above E.S.O Plant at 929885 50 meters NW of hill 358. A total of 146 rounds, of HEP-T, expended at hostile targets, 8 rounds HEP-T on H&I fires and 36 rounds HEP-T practise. Hostile targets consisted of caves and suspected enemy positions near LyMy and Nam-O bridge. Caves searched after fire mission by D 1/3. One cave contained approximately 40 pounds TNT, 20 81mm rounds, 6 106mm HEP-T duds rigid with shape charge detonating devise. A-11 and A-14 deadlined for track. All platoon personnel FAM fired during reporting period.

2nd Platoon, Co "A", 1stATBn. Continues attached to 2/1. Platoon comitted to operation "New York" during reporting period. Platoon mission during the 1st and 2nd of March was to protect a motorized/mechanized column to 968065 (E-Street 6559I). One light section to support "E" Co 2/1 on a sweep over a 600 meter front, parallel to the river moving south to obj. A at 963038. Two ONTOS broke track during first day, however repairs were effected during the same day. When light section, in support of "E" 2/1, were approaching Obj. A, PltCmndr spotted VCS. VCS attempted escape and was MIA. Later turned VCS (WIA) over to PF. On the 3rd and 4th of March operated in the same area and provided security for infantry move from 2/1 CP to 968065 and return. Broke two sections of track during this escort duty. Remainder of reporting period, platoon was held in 5 minute alert status. Provide one ONTOS for CP security nightly. A-25 deadlined for alternator.

c. Statistics.

- (1) One, Operation "New York", 2ndBn, 1stMar; 2dPlt, CoA, 1stATBn
- (2) None
- (3) One VCS(WIA)
- (4) - (5) None
- (6) HEP-T - 252; Cal..50 Spot. - 100

2. TRAINING.

- a. CJT for all personnel in respective MOS.
- b. No problem areas encountered.

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COMPANY "A"
3d Antitank Battalion (Rein)
3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
c/o FPO, San Francisco, California, 96601

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11 Mar 1966

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 3d Antitank Battalion (Rein)
Subj: Periodic Operations Summary 010001H to 102400H Mar66
Ref: (a) BnC 3100.2

PERIODIC OPERATIONS REPORT

Company "A"

Captain S. R. STEWART, Commanding

	<u>PLT.CHDR.</u>	<u>NO.CFF.</u>	<u>NO.ENL.</u>	<u>NO.NAVY.</u>	<u>GRID COORD.</u>
CoHdqs		1	27	1	942761
1stPlt	2/Lt MCALBER	1	24	0	954719
2ndPlt	1/Lt KINGSTON	1	20	1	942761
1stPlt, CoA, 1stATBn	2/Lt RUMSEY	1	20	0	944782
2ndPlt, CoA, 1stATBn	1/Lt NOONAN	1	22	0	888143

1. OPERATIONS.

a. Company "A" continues in direct support of 3d Marines with two platoons in direct support of infantry battalion, one platoon attached to an infantry battalion and one platoon in reserve. Highlights for the reporting period include participation in operation "New York", H&I fires and cave destruction.

b. Company Headquarters. Continues to provide logistical, technical and administrative support to gun platoons. Corpsman administered TB test shots to Company. Two platoons completed FAM firing and in-kind issue distributed throughout the Company.

1st Platoon, Co "A", 3dATBn. Normal routine for reporting period. Four ONTOS in static positions within the 2/3 TAOR. One ONTOS used nightly for 2/3 CP security. Platoon completely FAM fired during reporting period. Picked up new M422A1 for Bn and turned in old M422. Sgt WILLIAMS snapping in for 1lt Sgt to receive Sgt DONAVAN, who is rotating.

2nd Platoon, Co "A", 3dATBn. Joined company on 1 March 1966. Worked on billeting areas and cleaned vehicles during first few days. On 5 March, LMI was held on vehicles by Bn Maint personnel. ONTOS in satisfactory condition, however inspectors recommended that quarterlies be held in the near future. A-22 and A-24 sent to LyMy on 6 March to replace ONTOS from 1stPlt, CoA, 1stATBn. Fired 52 rounds 106mm HEP-T practise fired on 8 March. 12 rounds of H&I fired 8 and 9 March. A-22 sent to LyMy on 10 March to replace A-25. Exercised all ONTOS during reporting period.

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- (3) CASUALTIES. a. Friendly - None
b. Enemy - 22 WIA (possible)

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- (4) WEAPONS CAPTURED. None

(5) WEAPONS LOST. One (1) U.S. Submachine Gun, M3A1 was reported lost from vehicle 2-4. Investigation is pending.

(6) ONTOS. No major caliber fired during this period. Fired 490 rounds of caliber .30 linked, 20 caliber .50 spotting rounds, and 20 7.62 mm rounds.

2. TRAINING

a. On the job training only

b. Recap for quarter

(1) Platoon FIREX - 4

(2) Formal classes on range cards, mines and booby traps, camouflage, U.S. Submachine Gun M3A1, and Employment of Ontos.

(3) Guard School held nightly at Company CP.

(4) All personnel fired for familiarization with individual and crew served weapons.

F. Firing
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On the 23rd 2-1 and 2-5 were emplaced with Company L at Viem Dong (093658) and 2-2 and 3-1 emplaced with Company I at Ngan Trung (3) (066643) and with this company participated in a sweep of Lai Nghe (1) with no contact reported. On the two days following they swept Lai Nghe (2) with no contact reported. On the 25th they again swept Lai Nghe (1) with no contact reported. There was no further action until the 27th when the section with Company L was switched to Company K (042684) and provided security for rice harvesting in Binh Ky (1) (grid square 0569) (2-3 was released from maintenance this day and arrived at platoon CP). The following day both sections were utilized for this duty with no contact reported. On the 29th 2-2 and 3-1 participated in a sweep (vic 069590) with Company I. Contact was made and they expended 55 rounds of caliber .30 linked with undetermined results. 2-1 and 2-3, in support of Company K received small arms fire (vic 046687) and returned fire with 20 rounds of 7.62 mm and 50 rounds of caliber .30 linked with undetermined results. On the 30th 2-1 and 2-3 participated in Golden Fleece (no contact reported) and 2-2 and 3-1 participated in Alabama and received small arms fire (064592) and returned fire with 55 rounds of caliber .30 linked with no determined results. There was no further action reported.

(3) 3rd platoon. This platoon is still being used to augment the remaining platoons. 3-1 is located with the 2nd platoon (reported in para b.(2) above). 3-2 and 3-3 are with Company I, 3/3 on Hill 55. Their only action was from the 26th thru the 28th when they provided security for engineer units working on the road from Bich Bac to Hill 55. No contact was reported. The remaining vehicles (3-4 and 3-5) spent the reporting period at the platoon CP with no action reported.

(4) 4th platoon. This platoon commenced the reporting period with 4-1 and 4-3 with Company M, 3/3 at An Trach (1), 4-4 and 4-5 with Company L, 3/3 on Hill 22, 3-2 and 3-3 with Company I, 3/3, and 4-2 in Battalion Maintenance. 4-1 and 4-3 participated in sweeps with Company M on the 22nd and 24th with no contact reported. 3-2 and 3-3 provided security for the engineers (as reported in para b.(3) above). There was no further action and the disposition remains the same.

C. STATISTICS

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| (1) <u>OPERATIONS.</u> | 1st platoon | 2 | 3rd platoon | 0 |
| | 2nd platoon | 10 | 4th platoon | 2 |
| (2) <u>PATROLS.</u> | None | | | |

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OPERATIONS SUMMARY 21 - 31 Mar 1966

Company "C", 3dATBn (Rein)

Captain F. FIRING, Commanding

	PltComdr	No Off	No Enl	No Navy	Grid Coord
CoHqs	N/A	1	32	1	998723
1stPlt	SSgt ABRAMOWICZ	0	22	0	990678
2ndPlt	1stLt WOOD	2	19	0	074657
3rdPlt	2ndLt CASWELL	1	19	0	990678
4thPlt	2ndLt MEEHAN	1	19	0	974706

1. OPERATIONS

a. The general disposition of the Company remained unchanged; 1st platoon with 2/9; 2nd platoon with 3/9, 4th platoon with 3/3, and the 3rd platoon augmenting the other three platoons. There was very little action for the reporting period.

b. SUMMARY OF PLATOON ACTIONS

(1) 1st platoon. The platoon commenced this period with 1-1 and 1-4 with Company H, 1-3 and 1-5 with Company G, and 1-2 at the platoon CP. There was no action and no change until Company F replaced Company H. The vehicles remained in place. On the 28th, 1-1 and 1-4 participated in a sweep in the vicinity of Thanh Quit (5) (046634). Contact was made in vicinity 041625 and the vehicles fired 310 rounds of .30 caliber linked and 20 caliber .50 spotting rounds resulting in two (2) VCS and two (2) VC WIA (possible) as they were seen to fall as if struck by the fire. The following day these two vehicles accompanied an F Company squad (rein) on a recon of Phong Loc (1) and Phong Loc (3). No contact was reported. There was no further action reported and disposition is as follows: 1-1 and 1-4 with Company F, 1-3 and 1-5 with Company G, and 1-2 at the platoon CP.

(2) 2nd platoon. This platoon (with one vehicle from 3rd platoon) is in support of 3/9. At the beginning of the period 2-4 and 2-3 were in Battalion Maintenance, 2-1, 2-2, 2-5, and 3-1 were in the platoon CP. On the 22nd, 2-1 and 2-5 participated in a recon of Lai Nghe (1) (093612) and fired 20 rounds of caliber .30 linked with undetermined results.

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21-31 Mar 1966

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COMPANY "A"
3d Antitank Battalion
3d Marine Division (Rein), MAF
c/o PPO, San Francisco, California, 96602

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31 Mar 1966

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding Officer, 3d Antitank Battalion
Subj: Periodic Operations Summary 210001H to 302400H Mar 1966
Ref: (a) LNO 3100.2

PERIODIC OPERATIONS REPORT

Company "A" Captain S. R. BREWSTER, Commanding

	<u>INF. ORDER</u>	<u>NO. OFF</u>	<u>NO. INF</u>	<u>NO. NAVY</u>	<u>GRID COORD</u>
Company		2	28	2	942761
1st Plt	2/Lt MCALLER	1	23	0	942761
2nd Plt	1/Lt KINGSTON	1	22	0	954719
1st Plt, CoA, 1st ATBn	CySgt BARRAC	0	21	0	944782
2nd Plt, CoA, 1st ATBn	1/Lt MCCOY	1	21	0	888143

1. OPERATIONS.

a. Company "A" continues in direct support of 3d Marines with two platoons in direct support of infantry battalions and one platoon in reserve. Highlights for the reporting period include continued IRT firing in the 1/3 TIGR.

b. Company Headquarters. Continues to provide logistical, technical and administrative support to gun platoons. CySgt BARRAC assigned as platoon commander of 1st Plt, Co "A", 1st ATBn.

1st Platoon, Co "A", 3d ATBn. First Platoon was relieved in place by the second platoon on 21 March. First Platoon is now quartered in the Company C.P. Two vehicles placed in defensive positions at Ly Ly. 1st ATBn, using direct and indirect firing, were shot during reporting period. Firing point 899021 into grid squares 8883 and 9063. Ammo expended; 193 rounds M44, 44 rounds M41 and 364 rounds Cal. 50 caliber. On 22 March, a tank from "A" Co, 3d Tank Bn, backed into the platoon 10 (A-37). 10 taken to Battalion for repairs.

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Co "A", 3d AT Bn
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2nd Platoon, Co "A", 3d ATBn. Relieved 1st Platoon in positions at 2/3 HQR. Two ONTOS in support of G 2/3 and two in support of H 2/3. One ONTOS for night security in 2/3 C.P. No rounds fired during reporting period. Sand bagged firing positions for G 2/3 and H 2/3. All ONTOS operational.

1st Platoon, Co "A", 1st ATBn. M&I fires conducted nightly during reporting period. Firing point 951885 (hill 358). Fired into grid squares 9085, 9087, 9088 and 9089. Fifty-nine (59) rounds of 106mm M&I-T expended. Platoon can fired 25 March. Three (3) ONTOS deadlined for track. Two (2) ONTOS on hill 358.

2nd Platoon, Co "A", 1st ATBn. Normal routine during reporting period. Platoon became transferred to Company "B", 3d Antitank Battalion on 28 March.

c. Statistics.

(1) - (5) None

(6) M&I-T 252; M&I 44; Cal..50 Spot. 364.

2. TRAINING.

a. C&T for all personnel in respective MOS.

b. No problem areas encountered.

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COMPANY "B"
 3d Antitank Battalion
 3d Marine Division (Rein), FMF
 FPO, San Francisco, 96602

RFL:mjs
 8 Apr 1966

From: Commanding Officer
 To: Commanding Officer, 4th Marines
 Subj: Problems Encountered and Lessons Learned
 Ref: (a) DivO 5750.1

1. The Company Headquarters came under the operational control of the 4th Marines on 17 March 1966. During planning and the movement from Chu Lai to Phu Bai, no problems were encountered. On 28 March 1966, the company assumed the administrative and operational control of the two ONTOS platoons in Phu Bai, and was directed to be in direct support of the 4th Marines Regiment.
2. No problems of significance have been encountered.
3. No lessons learned in conjunction with tactical use of the ONTOS.

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C "B", 3d AT BN

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