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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 September 1967 - 1 October 1967

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## PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA OF 3D MILITARY POLICE BATTALION

- a. Located at DaNang, South Viet Nam.
- b. Period covered by this report is 1 September to 1 October 1967.
- c. Staff:

(1) Commanding Officer LTCOL J. GAMBARDELLA

(2) Staff:

Executive Officer	Capt D. G. KRAVITZ
Adjutant	W.O. J. P. PONTISSO
S-1	1stLt P. M. MANLEY
S-2	1stLt R. G. MORAN
S-3	1stLt J. W. PERRINE
S-4	2ndLt T. G. FIRTH
S-5	2ndLt A. C. NELSON
Supply Officer	Capt E. M. HAMILTON
SgtMaj.	SgtMaj R. V. FLOWERS, JR.

(3) Company Commanders

H&S Company	1stLt R. B. LIESEGANG
"A" Company	Capt M. H. O'CONNOR, JR.
"B" Company	1stLt R. L. PETERSON
"D" Company	Capt C. E. DANIEL

ATTACHED UNITS

A. 1st Scout and 1st Sentry Dog Platoons, attached from the 1st Military Police Battalion and located in DaNang, RVN.

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## PART II

COMMANDERS NARRATIVE SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

On the first of September the 3d Military Police Battalion remained on 100% alert due to reports of increased enemy activity in this area. No incidents occurred during the Vietnamese National Elections on 3 September and the Battalion resumed normal operations. Also during the month of September Armed Forces Police provided escorts for General CUSHMAN, General KRULAK, General OWENS, General NICKERSON, General ROBERTSHAW and General MOORE. Civil Affairs operating in the Hamlet of Thach Nham submitted plans to District Headquarters for an addition on the Buddhist school. Two new hamlets were assigned to Civil Affairs; Hoa Khuong and Phuoc Thuon. Two concrete wells were begun on 15 September and completed on 30 September. During the period 1-30 September 414 people were treated in the MEDCAP Program, an increase from last month of 136. The III MAF Brig had a monthly prisoner strength of 212, a decrease of 10 from last month. The POW compound was visited by General MOORE. Monthly average of detainees at the POW compound was 104. A Change of Command Ceremony was held on 12 September. LtCol C. H. SULLIVAN was relieved by LtCol J. GAMBARELLA as the Battalion Commander. Major C. C. GIFFORD was med-evaced to CONUS and Captain D. G. KRAVITZ was assigned as Battalion Executive Officer. No enemy action has been initiated in the 3d Military Police Battalion's TAOR and no casualties friendly or enemy have been received.

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## PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- a. 1-30 September 1967 - Prisoner strength at III MAF Brig for the month of September was 212, a decrease of 10 from August
- b. 1-30 September 1967 - Average number of detainees at III MAF POW Compound was 104
- c. 1-30 September 1967 - 414 people in the Hamlet of Thach Nham were treated in the MEDCAP Program. An increase of 136 over last month
- d. 1 September 1967 - Plans were submitted to District Headquarters for a one room addition to the Buddhist School at the Hamlet of Thach Nham
- e. 2 September 1967 - A special escort was provided by Armed Forces Police for General CUSHMAN, General KRULAK, General OWENS, General NICKERSON and General ROBERTSHAW
- f. 3 September 1967 - All personnel were restricted to the cantonment during the Vietnamese National Elections
- g. 3 September 1967 - Armed Forces Police provided a special escort for General KRULAK
- h. 7 September 1967 - Two new hamlets were assigned to the S-5; Hoa Khuong 935725 and Phuoc Thuon 932733
- i. 8 September 1967 - Major OLDS, PMO, 3d Marine Division visited the POW Compound

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SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS (CONT.)

- j. 12 September 1967 - LtCol C. H. SULLIVAN was relieved by LtCol J. GAMBARDELLA as the Battalion Commander at a Battalion Change of Command Ceremony
- k. 13 September 1967 - Major SHANNON, a U.S. Army Interrogator visited the III MAF POW Compound
- l. 14 September 1967 - Major MIKKELSON, Captain ABERNATHY, 1stLt GUEST and M/Sgt BATES of the 3d Interrogation Translation Team visited the III MAF POW Compound
- m. 15 September 1967 - Two concrete wells at 941713 and 958717 were completed by Civil Affairs
- n. 16 September 1967 - Construction was begun on a well at 948706 by the Civil Affairs
- o. 17 September 1967 - LCpl Nicholas J. WILLS 2203191/0311/8672 was presented the Navy Commendation Medal at a Battalion Awards Ceremony. The award was presented by LtCol J. GAMBARDELLA
- p. 18 September 1967 - The Children's Mid-Autum Festival was held in the Hamlet of Thach Nham. 250 gifts were presented to the children of the hamlet
- q. 19 September 1967 - Captain D. G. KRAVITZ was relieved as "D" Company Commander, Armed Forces Police

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SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS (CONT.)

- r. 20 September 1967 - Captain C. E. DANIELS assumed command of "D" Company, Armed Forces Police
- s. 20 September 1967 - Captain D. G. KRAVITZ assumed command as Executive Officer, 3d Military Police Battalion
- t. 24 September 1967 - GySgt Robert A. AUSMUS 1177133/2539 was joined to this Battalion and assigned the duty as Battalion Communication Chief
- u. 28 September 1967 - Armed Forces Police provided a special escort for General MOORE
- v. 28 September 1967 - General MOORE inspected the III MAF POW Compound
- w. 29 September 1967 - 2ndLt D. R. JONES was relieved as H&S Company Executive Officer by 2ndLt J. R. HUGHES 0101168/0301 USMC.
- x. 30 September 1967 - Two concrete wells at 941713 were completed

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