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3D 8" HOWITZER BATTERY (SP)  
11th Marines  
1st Marine Division (Rein) FMF  
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Encl: ✓(1) 3D 8" Howitzer Battery (SP) Command Chronology.  
✓(2) Photograph of the Commanding Officer of 3D 8" Howitzer Battery (SP).

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PART I  
ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

3D 8" Howitzer Battery (SP)	Capt R.R. CRAIG	1 to 29 August
	Maj W.J. McCALLUM	29 to 31 August

2. LOCATION

1 to 31 August DANANG, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer	Capt L.A. BOISE	1 to 31 August
1st Platoon Commander	1stLt D.W. PARMENTER	1 to 31 August
2nd Platoon Commander	1stLt W.D. MAXON	1 to 25 August
	1stLt W.E. LUCAS	25 to 31 August
3rd Platoon Commander	1stLt O.C. CAMPBELL	1 to 31 August
Supply Officer	2ndLt D.R. McGINNIS	1 to 31 August
First Sergeant	1stSgt S.N. DOYLE	1 to 31 August

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>OTHER</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
12	225	0	5	0	0

PART II  
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During August the 3D 8" Howitzer Battery's mission of general support of the First Marine Division remained unchanged. The disposition of the 4 platoons is as follows: Headquarters at Hill 34 (AT977717), 1st Platoon at Northern Artillery Contonment (AT921799) with one howitzer at Sea Anchor (AT085702), 2nd Platoon at (AT868472), 3rd Platoon (AT128450).

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During August the battery fired the following missions:

<u>OBSERVED</u>	<u>UNOBSERVED</u>	<u>H &amp; I</u>	<u>TOTAL ROUNDS</u>
52	565	1	3522

While firing 52 observed missions, the battery was credited with 8 KIA's, 8 bunkers destroyed, 2 huts destroyed and 3 secondary explosions.

There were no incidents of close combat during the month of August.

PART III  
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1. PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

(a) Losses

(1) Battle: None

(2) Non-Battle: None

(3) Administrative: twenty-three (23) Enlisted, two (2) Officers

(b) Gains

(1) Replacements: fifty-one (51) Enlisted, three (3) Officers

(c) POW's captured: None

(d) Morale: Excellent

(e) Personnel Services: The Enlisted Men's club, in addition to normal operations, hosted live entertainment once during August for personnel of 3D 8" Headquarters, "B" Co, 7th Engineers and "C" Co, 1st Tanks.

(f) Awards and Decortions: None

(g) Courts-Martial: None Article 15: one (1)

2. INTELLIGENCE

During August, 3D 8" Howitzer Battery (SP) used information gathered by higher echelon intelligence teams as a base from which to plan the amount of security used by the 3D 8" C.P. The 3D 8" Hdqtrs & C.P. is subordinate in matters of physical security to CO 1st Bn., 5th Marines, the Hill 34 Cantonment Coordinator.

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3. TRAINING

(a) One (1) Officer and one (1) Enlisted attended Embarkation school during August.

(b) One (1) battery school was held during the month of August. Eight (8) enlisted men attended a battery drivers school.

(c) During August the battery training schedule emphasized safety in driving and employment of weapons and proficiency in General Military Subjects and individual MOS's.

4. OPERATIONS

(a) During August 2nd and 3rd Platoons participated in operation Imperial Lake.

5. COMMAND AND CONTROL

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>GRID</u>	<u>PRIMARY DIR. OF FIRE</u>
Hdqtrs, 3D 8" Howitzer Battery (SP)	AT977717	
1st Platoon	AT921799	5000
One (1) howitzer at Sea Anchor	AT085702	5000
2nd Platoon	AT868472	5000
3rd Platoon	AT128450	5000

PART IV  
SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. Documentation of 3D 8" Howitzer Battery (SP) Command Chronology.

(a) Maps: Viet Nam 1:50,000 and Charts 6540 I, 6540 II, 6540 III, 6540 IV, 6541 II, 6541 III, 6640 I, 6640 II, 6640 III, 6640 IV, 6641 II, 6641 III, 6739 III, 6739 IV, Series L - not attached

(b) Unit Journal - Appendix A.

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