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HEADQUARTERS

3d Battalion (Rein), 4th Marines (-) (Rein)
3d Marine Division, Fleet Marine Force
c/o FPO, San Francisco, 96601

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2 December 1965

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 3d Marine Division, FMF (Attn: SC-3)
Via: Commanding Officer, 3d Marines

Subj: Command Chronology

Ref: (a) Division Order 5750.1
(b) Battalion Order 5750.1

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- Encl: (1) Overlay of locations of all units (S-3)
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 (14) Combat Air Support (Air Officer)
 (15) Medical and Dental Support (Bn Surgeon)
 (16) Chaplain Support (Bn Chaplain)
 (17) Civil Affairs (Civil Affairs Officer)
 (18) ~~Joint Action Company Activities (JAC GO)~~

1. In accordance with references (a) and (b), the Command Chronology for November 1965, is hereby submitted.

PART I

- Reporting Unit: 3d Battalion, 4th Marines
- Command Post: See overlay
- Period Covered: 1 November 1965-30 November 1965
- Date of Submission: 1 December 1965
- Average monthly strength.

	<u>3/4</u>	<u>USN</u>
a. Officers	36	5
b. Enlisted	960	55

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6. Commanding Officer: LtCol S. A. VALE

7. Principal Staff:

S-1 1stLt. J. D. EVERARD

S-2 GySgt D. E. DECKER

S-3 Maj. W. C. RUTHAZER

S-4 Capt. R. S. DROST

COMM 1stLt R. A. DICKINSON

8. Subordinate Units:

H&SCo 1stLt B. A. NORTH

Co I 1stLt D. P. USHER

Co K Capt G. MARINO

Co L Capt J. E. SEEBURGER

Co M Capt J. M. KEENAN

ATTACHMENTS:

Commanding Officer, 4th Battalion, 12th Marines: LtCol E. M. RUDZIS

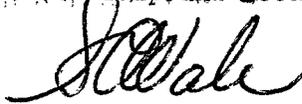
Plt Commander Company A, 3d Engineer Battalion: 1stLt I. E. PISTELLI

Plt Commander Company C, 3d Recon Battalion: 2ndLt G. K. HIDDLESTON

Plt Commander Company A, 3d Anti Tank Battalion: 2ndLt R. M. JAROCK

Plt Commander Company A, 3d Tank Battalion: 1stLt W. B. BOND

9. Mission assigned to occupy and defend the assigned TAOR and to defend the Airport and the 8th RRU Compound located in the TAOR.



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PERSONNEL (S-1)

1. Number of replacements received: 5 Officers 204 Enlisted
2. Number of personnel rotated: 34
3. Breakdown of personnel lost other than rotation:
 - a. Wounded in action: 1
 - b. Killed in action: 1
 - c. Humanitarian/Emergency Transfers: 1
 - d. Non battle injuries: 17
 - e. Intra Division/Regimental Transfers: 5 Officers, 182 Enlisted
 - f. R&R Trips: 23

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ADMINISTRATION (S-1)

1. Personnel Accounting: Nothing to report
2. Awards:
 - a. 3 Purple Heart Medals
 - b. 18 Legions of Gallantry
3. Promotions:
 - a. To Corporal - 1
 - b. To Lance Corporal - 10
 - c. To Private First Class - 3
4. Postal: Nothing ~~of~~ significant to report.
5. Pay: A total of \$475,854.56 was paid to 2342 Marine and Navy personnel. \$124,745.34 Piasters were sold to authorized personnel.
6. The PX sold merchandise to authorized personnel valuing \$24,513.94 during the month of November.
7. Legal and Discipline:
 - a. Courts Martial Pending - 3 Special
 - b. Courts Martial Held - 11 Special
 - c. NJP Awarded - 15

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INTELLIGENCE

1. Enemy Situation At The Beginning Of The Period. The beginning of the period two companies of the 802nd Main Force was located adjacent to our TAOR, the 1st Company at vic YD 880223 and the 2nd Company located at vic YD 801053. The P-18 Local Force Company was located at vic YD 798076 and K-41 was located vic YC 857988. The Main Force Companies had approximately hundred personnel each and each of the Local Force Companies averaged seventy personnel.

2. Enemy Incidents During the Period.

070713 Nov - Aerial Observer received one round small arms fire vic YD 850045. Believed to be a Viet Cong Headquarters. Artillery fired mission. Excellent coverage of target.

201030 Nov - C Recon reports while moving vic Hill 54 (YD 792109) Viet Cong sniper fired one round about 1030H (YD 792106) that was not close to patrol, but was fired in direction of patrol as determined by sound of rifle. Two minutes later sniper fired again and crack of round was heard overhead by report of rifle. Less than a minute later another round was fired and results was one friendly WIA, possibly a ricochet as judged by Marines near the WIA when he was hit. 4/12 Artillery fired mission with excellent coverage of target.

212005 Nov - Combined Action Company - 1 while in ambush vic YD 871184 sprung their ambush when four to five Viet Cong were crossing river on big branches approximately 50 to 75 meters in front of their ambush. 4/12 Artillery fired illumination. CAC reported seeing two bodies floating down the river. They were unable to recover bodies due to strong current of river.

231610 Nov - Battalion S-2 Scouts with Battalion Snipers vic YD 776135 observed seven Viet Cong moving SW vic YD 775144 carrying weapons. Snipers opened fire. Two Viet Cong KIA, one Viet Cong WIA. Bodies could not be recovered due to previous report from PF Platoon Commander that there were 30 to 35 Viet Cong in area.

251140 Nov - H&S Company OP (YD 880136) reports one round going over his head. Believed to have come from his right approximately 300 meters.

251145 Nov - Company K OP (YD 894150) reports three to four small arms rounds coming from vic YD 893153.

272300 Nov - Combined Action Company - 3 while in ambush vic YD 908108. Two Viet Cong entered left flank. CAC sprung ambush, possibly one Viet Cong WIA. Uniform unknown, believed to have one semi-automatic weapon. Checked area out with negative results.

281245 Nov - Aerial Observer spotted 15 Viet Cong who were attempting to cross river in small boat vic YD 789101. Viet Cong were moving west to east across the river. Viet Cong were wearing green shirts and camouflage utilities, and khaki uniforms. Type of weapons unknown. 4/12 Artillery fired mission, Viet Cong dispersed. Mobile Strike Force was sent out to check area. While moving to make contact a booby trap was set off vic YD 796099. Results one friendly WIA. Negative results with Viet Cong.

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282130 Nov - Combined Action Company - 3 while on a routine patrol of PHU BAI I spotted two Viet Cong armed and fired upon them at YD 900115. They did not kill or wound either of them, however they did find one K-50 magazine full and a M-26 grenade at this location.

282200 Nov - Combined Action Company - 3 continuing on patrol received fire from left flank at YD 903114. After firing had ceased and they checked out the area. They found blood stains and one cartridge belt with two carbine magazines and two grenades, one plastic cape, one camouflaged cape, one plastic bag, one small bottle of medicine, one possible trip rope across trail. Also found drag marks and three large spots of blood. Possible body was dragged some distance and then carried.

280330 Nov - FLSU-2 reports LP YD 889152 sited two Viet Cong vic YD 887153. LP fired seven rounds with negative results.

292046 Nov - Combined Action Company - 3 on patrol encountered estimated 20 Viet Cong vic YD 906114. Patrol opened fire and after fire fight Viet Cong moved south. Three Viet Cong KIA. Vicinity YD 908111 CAC ambush fired at Viet Cong and 4/12 Artillery fired HE rounds. The following morning CAC recovered another Viet Cong^{KIA} vicinity of first encounter, and found one Viet Cong corpsman WIA. The S-2[^] scouts made a patrol of where artillery was fired and found blood at vic YD 892102, YD 892109, and YD 900104. The following equipment was captured:

- 10 - Viet Cong frag grenades
- 1 - American type WP grenade
- 1 - plastic hat
- 1 - Corpsman First Aid Bag containing
 - 20 - gauze bandages
 - 1 - loose ball of cotton
 - 9 - tubes of Vitamin C
 - 1 - spool of thread
 - 3 - bottles of iodine
 - 1 - hypodermic syringe with three needles
 - 2 - tubes of aspirin
 - 3 - bottles of pencillin
 - 2 - bottles of cold tablets
 - 3 - tubes of water for mixture with pencillin
 - 2 - tubes of strychnine
 - 2 - small bottles of blood plasma
 - 2 - PHENOXIMETHYLPENICILLIN, sp[^]
 - v/o Medexport
 - 10 tablets of 100,000U - made in USSR
 - 10 tablets in one container and 9 tablets in the other
- 1 - American bandoleer
- 1 - cloth hat
- 1 - US canteen
- 1 - leather pouch for carbine magazines
- 1 - French type beret
- 4 - plastic pieces used as ponchoes
- 2 - American pistol cartridge belts
- 2 - American canteen covers

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- 3 - belts (one is made of leather)
- 1 - leather pouch
- 4 - Viet Cong grenade carrying pouches
- 1 - sub-machine gun magazine pouch
- 2 - sub-machine gun magazine pouches (kind that carry two magazines and three magazines)
- 1 - pound bag of cooked rice
- 3 - ~~waved~~ home made type grenade carrying pouches
- 116 - .45 caliber rounds
- 3 - K-50 magazines (169 rounds taken out of the magazines)
- 2 - CHICOM 7.62 rounds modified
- 4 - black shorts
- 4 - black shirts
- 1 - camouflaged nylon cloth
- 7 - MAT-49 magazines
- 718 - piasters
- 1 - fishing hook
- 1 - empty bottle of mosquito repellent ^{B.1}
- 1 - CHICOM 7.62 Carbine ^{1"}
- 1 - CHICOM K-50
- 1 - CHICOM MAT-49

3. See paragraph B.

4. Significant Trends During Period. The Combined Action Company encountered on 29 November 1965 showed that the enemy was willing to fight instead of immediately breaking contact. During the period there was a total of 144 Viet Cong sighted by either Observation Posts or Visual Reconnaissance flights in or near the Tactical Area of Responsibility as compared to 258 the previous month.

5. Enemy Situation At End Of Period. The 802nd Battalion at sometime at the beginning of the month moved their troops out of the HUONG THUY and NAM HOA Districts and moved into the QUANG TRI District. They suffered heavy casualties in an engagement with ARVN and now have returned to the HUONG TRA mountainous area to undergo rebuilding.

The P-18 Local Force has been reported to be using the vicinity of YD 798076 as ~~there~~ Headquarters but operating in the PHU VANG District.

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TRAINING (S-3)

1. OBJECTIVE. To increase the combat efficiency and readiness for the individual Marine.

2. TRAINING HIGHLIGHTS.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TYPE TRAINING</u>	<u>UNIT</u>
1 Nov	Camouflage VC Mine Warfare Night Firing Techniques Deep water Forging	Co K Co K Sqd from Co's K, L, I, H&S Tank & Ontos
2 Nov	Camouflage Arty Support for Ambushes 90mm & 106RR FIREX 81mm Mortar FIREX	Co I Plat Cndrs and Plat Sgts of Co's I, K, & L Tanks & Ontos 81mm Mortar Plat
6 Nov	M-14 & .45 Cal FIREX Night Firing Techniques	C Recon Plat. Sqd from Co's I, K, L, H&S
7 Nov	60mm Mortar FIREX Grenade FIREX Night Firing Techniques	Co L Co I Sqd from Co's I, K, L, H&S
8 Nov	Night Firing Techniques	Sqd from Co's I, K, L, H&S
9 Nov	Night Firing Techniques	Sqd from Co's I, K, L, H&S
11 Nov	Night Firing Techniques	Sqd from Co's I, K, L, H&S
12 Nov	Night Firing Techniques	Sqd from Co's I, K, L, H&S
13 Nov	Night Firing Techniques	Sqd from Co's I, K, L, H&S
14 Nov	M-14, .45 Cal, M-60, & M-79 FIREX	Co L
15 Nov	Night Firing Techniques	Sqd from Co's I, K, L, H&S
16 Nov	M-60 Night Firing Techniques	Sqd from Co's I, K, L, H&S
18 Nov	90mm & 106RR Indoctrination of Newly Arrived and Fan Fire	Tanks & Ontos Co's I, K, L, M, & H&S
22 Nov	Night Firing Techniques Indoctrination of Newly Arrived and Fan Fire	Sqd from Co's K, L, M
23 Nov	River Crossing Night Firing Techniques	Co's K, L, M, & H&S Co's L, M, & H&S
24 Nov	Night Firing Techniques	Co's K, L, M, & H&S
25 Nov	Night Firing Techniques	Co's L, K, & H&S
26 Nov	Night Firing Techniques	Co's K, L, & M
27 Nov	Night Firing Techniques	Co's L, M, & H&S
28 Nov	Night Firing Techniques	Co's K, M, & H&S
30 Nov	Indoctrination of Newly Arrived and Fan Fire	Co's I, L, M, & H&S

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SPECIAL OPERATIONS (S-2/S-3)

1. Amphibious Operations - None
2. Combined Operations - (Company or Larger) - 2
3. Psychological Operations - None
4. River Operations - None

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NBC Defense

1. Use of NBC equipment - None
2. Training accomplished - None
3. Status of NBC equipment on hand:
 - a. NBC equipment on hand is maintained in Battalion Supply.
 - b. The battalion is missing the following NBC equipment:

<u>Nomenclature</u>	<u>Stock Number</u>	<u>Short</u>
Decontamination Apparatus	42307201618	15
Radiac Meters, LM 143/PD	66655409004	7
Detector Kit, Chemical, M15A1	66658976579	25
Protection Set, Chemical Agent, M5A3	68507534876	1198
Leather Dressing Vascant Gas Resistant	80302738719	1052
Gloves, Toxic Agent Protective	84158206293	1
Boat, Protective, M2A1:		
Size 11	84308206299	5
Size 10	84308206300	5
Size 9	84308206301	6
Size 8	84308206302	5
Gloves, Cloth, Knitted	84150822885	125 pr
Undershirt, Mens	84151972879	1064
Drawers, Mens	84152700237	1198
Apron, Gas Casulants	84152817814	3

4. All missing gear has been ordered.

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Command and Control1. Task Organization:

<u>3d Bn (Rein), 4th Mar (-) (Rein)</u>	LtCol VALE
H&S Co (-)	
Det, Hdqtrs Bn, 3d Mar Div	
Det, Postal Unit	
Det, Disb Sect	
Det, Comm Co	
<u>Co I (Rein)</u>	1st Lt USNER
Co I	
Det, H&S Co	
Det, Comm Plat	
Det, Med Plat	
<u>Co K (Rein)</u>	1st Lt GONZALES
Co K	
Det, H&S Co	
Det, Comm Plat	
Det, Med Plat	
<u>Co L (Rein)</u>	Capt SEEBURGER
Co L	
Det, H&S Co	
Det, Comm Plat	
Det, Med Plat	
<u>Co M (Rein)</u>	Capt KEENAN
Co M	
Det, H&S Co	
Det, Comm Plat	
Det, Med Plat	
<u>81mm Mort Plat</u>	1st Lt JONES
<u>106mm RR Plat</u>	1st Lt NORTH
<u>3d Plat, Co C, 3d Recon Bn</u>	2nd Lt HUDDLESTON
<u>3d Plat, Co A, 3d Eng Bn</u>	1st Lt PISTELLI
<u>3d Plat, Co A, 3d Tank Bn</u>	1st Lt BOND
<u>3d Plat, Co A, 3d AT Bn</u>	2nd Lt JAROGN
<u>4th Bn (-) (Rein), 12th Mar</u>	LtCol RUDZIS
Hdqtrs Btry, 4/12	
Btry M, 4/12	
Mort Btry, 2/12	
Btry I, 3/12	
CMR Tm, Hdqtrs Btry, 11th Mar	

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2. Location of Battalion and Subordinate Unit Command Posts:

<u>Unit</u>	<u>Coordinates</u>
3d Bn (Rein), 4 th Mar (-) (Rein)	YD 884139
Company K	YD 884139
Company L	YD 884139
Company M	YD 892146
3d Plat, Co C, 3d Recon Bn	YD 884139
3d Plat, Co A, 3d Eng Bn	YD 884139
3d Plat, Co A, 3d Tank Bn	YD 889143
3d Plat, Co A, 3d AF Bn	YD 889143
4 th Bn (-) (Rein), 12 th Mar	YD 883142
Hdqtrs Btry, 4/12	YD 883142
Btry M, 4/12	YD 883142
Mortar Btry, 2/12	YD 882148
Btry I, 3/12	YD 890144

3. Attachments and detachmentsa. Attachments:

- (1) 3d Plat, Co C, 3d Recon Bn
- (2) 3d Plat, Co A, 3d Eng Bn
- (3) 3d Plat, Co A, 3d Tank Bn
- (4) 3d Plat, Co A, 3d AF Bn
- (5) 4th Bn (-) (Rein), 12th Mar

b. Detachment. Company I, 3d Bn (Rein), 4th Mar (-) (Rein)4. Control Difficulties - None5. Problem Areas - None

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[REDACTED]COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS
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1. WIRE. No changes
2. RADIO.
 - a. This battalion is now employing a secondary frequency which is used for the "counterattacking force". Net control is in the hands of the Battalion C.O.C. This reduces the flow of traffic to one half on the battalion TAC frequency, and also gives the counter-attack commander a channel of communications.
3. RADIO RELAY. No changes
4. MESSAGE CENTER. No changes
5. MAINTENANCE/SUPPLY. No changes

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CLOSE COMBAT

- 1 Nov Engineers conducted a daylight security patrol to YD 841155. The 1st Platoon, Company K established a night ambush at YD 816167. The 2nd Platoon, Company I established a night ambush at YD 923090. The 1st Squad, 2nd Platoon, Company I conducted a daylight security patrol from Hill 225. The 3d Platoon, C Recon established a daylight OP at YD 805126. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu and Loc Bon. Companies I, K, L, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.
- 2 Nov The 1st Platoon, Company K and Engineers returned to Base Camp. The 1st Squad, 2nd Platoon, Company L conducted a daylight security patrol from Hill 225. The 2nd Platoon, Company K established a night ambush at YD 819159. The 1st Platoon, Company I established a night ambush at YD 904098. Scouts established a daylight OP at YD 911075. The 3d Platoon, C Recon continued OP at YD 805126. They returned to Base Camp at 1800. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies I, K, L, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.
- 3 Nov The 2nd Platoon, Company K and 1st Platoon, Company I returned to Base Camp at 1735 after establishing a daylight OP at YD 839133. The 1st Squad, 2nd Platoon, Company L conducted a daylight security patrol from Hill 225. The 3d Platoon, Company K established a night ambush at YD 896125. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies I, K, L, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.
- 4 Nov The 2nd Platoon, Company I established a night ambush at YD 128084. The 1st Platoon, Company L established a night ambush at YD 832157. Scouts established a daylight OP at YD 884093. The 3d Platoon, C Recon established a daylight OP at YD 839133. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies I, K, L, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.
- 5 Nov Company K conducted a combined operation with ARVN, Engineers, and Scouts. After dark, they established six night ambushes from YD 815185 to YD 838176. The 1st Squad, 2nd Platoon, Company L conducted a daylight security patrol from Hill 225. The 3d Platoon, C Recon established an OP at YD 805126. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies I, K, L, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

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Company K, with 2 Huong Thuy PF Platoons as blocking force, swept the Village of Gia Le. 8 VCS were captured. The 1st Squad, 2nd Platoon, Company I established a night ambush at YD 908102. The 3d Platoon, Company L established a night ambush at YD 810180. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies I, K, L, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

7 Nov

The 3d Platoon, Company I established a night ambush at YD 821148. The 2nd Platoon, Company K conducted a daylight security patrol from Hill 225. The 1st Platoon, Company L established a night ambush at YD 895113. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies I, K, L, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

8 Nov

The 2nd Platoon, Company L established a night ambush at YD 894113. The 2nd Platoon, Company I established a night ambush at YD 813125. The 3d Platoon, C Recon established a daylight OP at YD 807075, and a night ambush at YD 812074. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu and Loc Bon. Companies I, K, L, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

9 Nov

The 2nd Platoon, Company L and 2nd Platoon, Company I returned to Bn CP at first light. The 2nd Platoon, Company K established a night ambush at YD 833166. The 3d Platoon, Company L conducted a daylight security patrol from Hill 225. The 3d Platoon, C Recon established a daylight OP at YD 807075. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies I, K, L, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

10 Nov

Company I in coordination with C Recon, A Engineers, and ARVN Liaison Officers established ambushes after dark at YD 808157, YD 817156, YD 798141, YD 820154, and YD 829154. Recon established a night ambush at YD 817126. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies I, K, L, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

11 Nov

At first light the 1st and 3d Platoon, Company I swept from YD 813157 to YD 803142. Recon established a blocking force from YD 805127 to YD 804136 and the 3d Platoon, Company I established a blocking force at YD 797140. At completion of sweep the 2nd Platoon Company I at YD 797140 swept to YD 808132. The 3d Platoon, Company K established a night ambush at YD 803101. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies I, K, L, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

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- The 1st Platoon, Company I established a night ambush at YD 813143. The 2nd Platoon, Company L established a night ambush at YD 901092. The 1st Platoon, Company K conducted a daylight security patrol from Hill 225. The Combined Action Company continue operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies I, K, L, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.
- 13 Nov The 2nd Platoon, Company K established a night ambush at YD 803137. The 3d Platoon, Company L established a night ambush at YD 897106. The 3d Platoon, C Recon established a daylight CP at YD 891077. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies I, K, L, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.
- 14 Nov Company I departed Phu Bai for Da Nang to come under OPCON of 3d Marines. Company M returned to the Phu Bai area. The 2nd Platoon, Company L established a night ambush at YD 903061. The 1st Platoon, Company K established a night ambush at YD 834163. Scouts conducted a recon patrol in area of YD 813125. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies K, L, M, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.
- 15 Nov The 3d Platoon, C Recon established a daylight CP at YD 813079. The 2nd Platoon, Company A established a night ambush at YD 818173. The 1st Platoon, Company L conducted daylight security patrol from Hill 225. The 3d Platoon, Company L established a night ambush at YD 906098. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies K, L, M, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.
- 16 Nov The 1st Platoon, Company L conducted security patrol from Hill 225. The 3d Platoon, Company K established night ambush at YD 825164. The 2nd Platoon, Company L established a night ambush at YD 901079. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies K, L, M, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.
- 17 Nov The 1st Platoon, Company L conducted security patrol from Hill 225. The 1st Platoon, Company K established a night ambushes at YD 832168. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies K, L, M, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

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- 18 Nov The 1st Platoon, Company L conducted a security patrol from Hill 225. The 2nd Platoon, Company M established two night ambushes at YD 902092 and YD 902099. Scouts established a night ambush at YD 895072. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies K, L, M, and H&S with 1/12 and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.
- 19 Nov At 0600 the 1st Platoon, Combined Action Company helilifted to the east end of Village at YD 915162. They conducted a search and clear operation. The 3d Platoon, Company M established two night ambushes at YD 907089 and YD 906087. The 3d Platoon, C Recon and the Bn Sniper Team set up an OP at YD 801169. 1st squad, 2nd Platoon, Company L conducted a Hunter-Killer operation. They used two helicopters. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies K, L, M, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.
- 20 Nov The 3d Platoon, Company K established a night ambush at YD 829164. The 1st Platoon, Company M established a night ambush at YD 895112. The 3d Platoon, C Recon and the Bn Sniper Team continued OP at YD 801169. They returned to Bn CP at 1400. The 1st Platoon, Company L conducted security patrol from Hill 225. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies K, L, M, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.
- 21 Nov The 1st Platoon, Company K established a night ambush at YD 930087. The 3d Platoon, Company M conducted security patrol from Hill 225. The 2nd Platoon, Company L established two night ambushes at YD 817164 and YD 819175. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies K, L, M, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.
- 22 Nov The 3d Platoon, Company M conducted a security patrol from Hill 225. The 3d Platoon, Company L established two night ambushes at YD 811170 and YD 822168. The 2nd Platoon, Company K established a night ambush at YD 930091. The 3d Platoon, C Recon established a daylight OP at YD 794136. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies K, L, M, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

23 Nov

The 3d Platoon, Company M conducted security patrol from Hill 225. The 1st Platoon, Company L established two night ambushes at YD 808163 and YD 819175. The 3d Platoon, C Recon established a daylight CP at YD 814079. The S-2 Scouts and Bn Sniper Team trucked to YD 763128. From there they conducted a recon patrol in the SW portion of TAOR. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies K, L, M, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

24 Nov

The Bn Sniper Team sighted VC at YD 775114, and killed two and wounded one. The 3d Platoon, Company M conducted a security patrol from Hill 225. The 2nd Platoon, Company K established a night ambush at YD 927082. The 1st Platoon, Company L established a night ambush at YD 810173. The 3d Platoon, C Recon and Bn Sniper Team continued patrols in SW portion of TAOR. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies K, L, M, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

25 Nov

The Bn conducted a counterattack drill. The 1st Squad, 3d Platoon, Company M conducted a security patrol from Hill 225. The 2nd Platoon, Company L established a night ambush at YD 823155. The 3d Platoon, C Recon and Bn Sniper Team continued patrol in SW portion of TAOR. They returned to Bn CP at 1500. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies K, L, M, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

26 Nov

The 2nd Squad, 3d Platoon, Company M conducted a daylight security patrol from Hill 225. The 3d Platoon, C Recon established a daylight CP at YD 790104. The 3d Platoon, Company L established two night ambushes at YD 899109 and YD 905106. S-2 Scouts conducted a recon patrol down route 14 to the YD 03 grid line. The 1st Platoon, Company M established a night ambush at YD 809161. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies K, L, M, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security. The Bn conducted a counterattack drill.

27 Nov

The 1st Squad, 3d Platoon, Company M conducted a security patrol from Hill 225. The 1st Platoon, Company M established two night ambushes at YD 815177 and YD 819167. The 1st Platoon, Company L established two night ambushes at YD 913089 and YD 917086. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies K, L, M, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security. The Bn conducted a counterattack drill.

28 Nov

The Bn conducted a counterattack drill. The 1st Squad, 3d Platoon, Company M conducted a security patrol from Hill 225. The 1st Platoon, Company M established three night ambushes at YD 817178, YD 818177, and YD 816174. The 2nd Platoon, Company L established two night ambushes at YD 901084 and YD 902081. The Scouts conducted a daylight patrol in grid square YD 9111. The 3d Platoon, C Recon and Bn Sniper Team trucked to YD 763128. From there they conducted recon and sniper activities west of YD 80 grid line. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu and Loc Bon. Companies K, L, M, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

29 Nov

The 3d Platoon, Company M conducted a security patrol from Hill 225. The 3d Platoon, C Recon and Bn Sniper Team continued mission in western part of TAOR. The 1st Platoon, Company M established two night ambushes at YD 807163 and YD 817175. The 3d Platoon, Company L established night ambush at YD 903042. The 2nd Squad, 1st Platoon, Company M conducted a Hunter-Killer operation of TAOR, two helicopters were utilized. The 3d Platoon, Combined Action Company made contact with the enemy at YD 906114. The friendly unit sustained 3 KIA and 3 MIA. The enemy sustained 4 KIA and 1 MIA. The 4th Platoon, Combined Action Company made contact with the enemy at YD 908111. There were no friendly casualties and no known enemy casualties. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu and Loc Bon. Companies K, L, M and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

30 Nov

The Scouts conducted a daylight recon in grid square YD 8309. The 1st Platoon, Company L established two night ambushes at YD 913090 and YD 917087. The 3d Platoon, C Recon and Bn Sniper Team returned to Bn CP. An exchange of companies with the 7th Marines took place. Company K, 3d Battalion, 4th Marines exchanged places with Company A, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines. The Combined Action Company continued operations in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, and Loc Bon. Companies K, L, M, and H&S with LSU and 4/12 maintained airfield and CP security.

Appendix 1 - Operation Orders for the month of November

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3d Bn (Rein), 4th Mar (-) (Rein)
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Operation Order 40-65

- Ref: (a) Maps: INDOCHINA; 1:25,000, Sheets 125 34 W (AN NONG W)
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- (b) Frag Order 11-65
 (c) Operation Order 25-65
 (d) Battalion Order 8370.1 dtd 3 Sept 1965
 (e) Battalion Order 5100.2 dtd 4 May 1965
 (f) 3d Mar Msg dtd 171436Z

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1. SITUATION.a. Enemy forces. Omitted.b. Friendly forces. Omitted.

2. MISSION. 3d Bn (Rein), 4th Mar (-) (Rein) provides security for the airfield and 8th RHU and controls TAOR by aggressive day and night patrolling.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of operation. 3d Bn (Rein), 4th Mar (-) (Rein) accomplishes assigned mission by maintaining a perimeter defense around vital installations with three rifle companies (-), H&S Company, LSU and by aggressive patrolling of forward areas by perimeter units, two rifle platoons, and a Recon Platoon. The Combined Action Company provides tactical forces and civic action units for the village areas. Reserve units, for duty during hours of darkness, are provided.

b. Company K - Airfield Defense Company

(1) Provide two platoons (+) for the security of the airfield from 310800 October to 070800 November. Provide listening posts. Conduct scheduled security patrols and ambushes after dark to possible enemy mortar range of the airfield in accordance with Reference (b). Maintain 24 hour communications with COC.

(2) Sunday, 31 October - Conduct two night ambushes within grid square (YD 8014) (7000 meters from perimeter).

(3) Monday, 1 November - Conduct two night ambushes within grid square (YD 8116) (6000 meters from perimeter).

(4) Tuesday, 2 November - Conduct two night ambushes within grid square (YD 8215) (5500 meters from perimeter).

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- (5) Wednesday, 3 November - Conduct two night ambushes within grid square (YD 8015) (7500 meters from perimeter).
- (6) Thursday, 4 November - In preparation for OPERATION BONANZA, maintain two platoons in perimeter and provide one platoon to Company L for perimeter defense in their sector.
- (7) Friday, 5 November - Conduct combined OPERATION BONANZA in conjunction with ARVN personnel, Tanks, Ontos, Engineers, and S-2 Scouts. Move to an assembly area outside of the western flank of the TAOR with engineers and S-2 Scouts. After dark, establish six night ambushes from (YD 805185) to (YD ~~825175~~) 838176. At first light, on 6 November, conduct careful search and clear operation in the Village of ~~THUY PHU~~ (YD ~~806190~~) 827178. ARVN forces, H&S Company (-), Tanks, and Ontos will provide blocking force from (YD ~~798195~~) to (YD ~~814186~~) 825157. Return to Base Camp at 1500 on 6 November. 808172
- (8) Saturday, 6 November - Maintain two platoons in perimeter and provide one platoon to Company L for perimeter defense in their sector.

c. Company I - Highway Defense Company

- (1) Maintain the PHU BAI Roadblock in conjunction with MP's from 310800 October to 070800 November. Utilize two platoons (+) for the defense of the Highway #1 positions and the above mentioned roadblock. Maintain 24 hour communications with COC.
- (2) ~~Once~~ each day of the week except 5 November, conduct two night ambushes in the eastern sector of the TAOR at least 4500 meters from the perimeter. Kill or capture VC attempting to enter or depart the Villages of THUY PHU or LOC BON.
- (3) Friday, 5 November - In support of OPERATION BONANZA, provide one platoon for perimeter defense in the sector of Company K.

d. Company L - PHU BAI Defense Company

- (1) Provide two platoons (+) for the security of the approaches from PHU BAI from 310800 October to 070800 November. Conduct scheduled security patrols and ambushes after dark to possible enemy mortar range of the 8th RRU, in accordance with Reference (B). Maintain 24 hour communications with COC.
- (2) Provide two squads for Hill 225 in accordance with Reference (c). With one squad, conduct a daylight security patrol and with the other squad conduct a night ambush from the outpost each day.

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(3) Thursday, 4 November - Conduct two night ambushes within grid square (YD 8315) to kill or capture enemy mine laying details.

(4) Saturday, 6 November - Conduct two night ambushes within grid square (YD 8117). (ARVN Liaison Officer will accompany patrol and will coordinate operation with HUONG THUY District Headquarters.)

e. 3d Platoon, C Recon Company, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion - On each day of the week, establish a daylight OP in the western sector of the TAOR. Report sightings by radio and attack targets of opportunity with artillery or accurate small arms fire, as appropriate.

f. H&S Company.

(1) Provide forces to maintain security for the H&S sector of the perimeter each day.

(2) Provide detachment for Hill 180.

(3) Friday, 5 November - Provide 20 men to Company K for perimeter defense for the period 1830-0600.

g. 4th Battalion, 12th Marines.

(1) Be prepared to support all operations.

(2) Plot H&I Fires.

(3) Continue registration of guns.

(4) Continue to support Battalion Defensive Plan.

(5) Continue to improve night defensive positions.

(6) Provide a unit for perimeter defense.

h. 3d Platoon, A Company, 3d Tank Battalion.

(1) Support the Battalion Defensive Plan by providing one light section in direct support of the Highway Defense Company from 1900-0600 daily.

(2) Support OPERATION BONANZA on 6 November.

i. 3d Platoon, A Company, 3d Antitank Battalion.

(1) Support the Battalion Defensive Plan by providing one light section to the Airfield Defense Company as direct support from 1900 to 0600 daily.

(2) Support OPERATION BONANZA on 6 November.

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- (1) Continue priority of work as designated by S-3/S-4.
- (2) Support OPERATION BONANZA Friday and Saturday, 5 and 6 November.
- (3) Conduct an inspection of Hill 225 and Hill 180 once during the week and report results to S-3. (Claymores will be disarmed daily.)

k. 81mm Mortar Platoon.

- (1) Support Battalion Defensive Plan.
- (2) Plot H&I Fires.
- (3) Be prepared, on order to attach a section of mortars to a forward platoon.
- (4) Provide a section for each of Hills 225 and 180.

l. S-2 Scouts.

- (1) Be prepared to conduct missions as assigned by S-2, based on latest intelligence requirements.
- (2) Support Company K in OPERATION BONANZA on 5 and 6 November.

m. Combined Action Company.

(1) CAC #1

- (a) Continue operations in the Village of THUY LUONG. Conduct night ambush patrols each night.
- (b) Provide security for medical team from 0800 to 1200 on 4 November 1965.
- (c) Provide security for Battalion Chaplains from 1300 to 1400 on 4 November 1965.

(2) CAC #2

- (a) Continue operations in Village of THUY TAN and conduct night ambushes each night except 2 November 1965.
- (b) Return to Battalion CP at 0800, 2 November 1965 and return to THUY TAN at 0800, 3 November 1965.
- (c) Provide security for medical team from 0800 to 1200 on 5 November 1965.
- (d) Provide security for Battalion Chaplains from 1430 to 1530 on 4 November 1965

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CAC #3

- (a) Continue operations in the Village of THUY PHU. Conduct night ambush patrols each night except 4 November 1965.
- (b) Return to Battalion CP at 0800, 4 November 1965 and return to THUY PHU at 0800, 5 November 1965.
- (c) Provide security for medical team from 0800 to 1200 on 2 November 1965.
- (d) Provide security for Battalion Chaplains from 1300 to 1400 on 2 November 1965.

(4) CAC #4

- (a) Continue operations in Village of LOC BON. Conduct night ambush patrols each night.
- (b) Provide security for medical team from 0800 to 1200 on 1 November 1965.
- (c) Provide security for Battalion Chaplains from 1415 to 1515 on 2 November 1965.

(5) Coordinating instructions.

- (a) All platoons be prepared to provide security for "A" Med visit on 6 November 1965.
- (b) All platoons will base operations primarily on intelligence information. Be prepared to operate in adjacent villages upon order.
- (c) During periods that Marine elements are located at the Battalion CP, Popular Force elements will report night operations and security being conducted.
- (d) During this period conduct a maximum number of daylight reconnaissance patrols.
- (e) All platoons continue work on roads within their areas.
- (f) Continue combined training with emphasis on small unit tactics and intelligence reporting.
- (g) One platoon of Company I will operate in conjunction with 3d and/or 4th platoon each night except 5 November 1965.

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- n. Mobile Strike Forces. (Daylight hours) in accordance with Ref (f).
- (1) Sunday, 31 October and Monday, 1 November - Company L
 - (2) Tuesday, 2 November and Wednesday, 3 November - Company K
 - (3) Thursday, 4 November, Friday, 5 November and Saturday, 6 November - Company I
- o. Reserve. (Night)
- (1) Platoon (-) from H&S Company.
 - (2) One section of 3d Platoon, A Company, 3d Antitank Battalion.
 - (3) One section of 3d Platoon, A Company, 3d Tank Battalion.
 - (4) LSU, HMM-161, and 4/12 provide emergency Reserve Force.
- p. Coordinating instructions.
- (1) Permission to commence firing on all Firex's must be obtained from COC.
 - (2) All units concerned, turn in patrol routes 24 hours in advance to COC. (H&I Fires are plotted in accordance with submitted overlay.)
 - (3) Coordinate all patrols with adjacent units.
 - (4) All units will check in and out with COC, ensuring that the COC Watch Officer is briefed on the details of the operation.
 - (5) Ensure that the provisions of Reference (d) and (e) are carried out.
 - (6) Units concerned man AA defense positions.
 - (7) Patrol leaders memorize concentrations located along patrol routes.

4. LOGISTICS AND ADMINISTRATION.

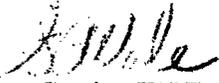
- a. Companies concerned will arrange for resupply with S-4.
- b. All ordnance will be checked daily.
- c. Account for all hand grenades.
- d. All helilifts must be arranged by ALO.

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

- a. Radios will be inspected weekly.
- b. Battalion Command Post remains the same.
- c. Shackles may be used as desired.
- d. The Battalion Thrust Lines will be:
 - Alfa - YD 8215
 - Bravo - YD 8307
 - Charlie - YD 9007
 - Delta - YD 9115
- e. Check Points will be used for patrols.



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- (b) Frag Order 11-65
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- a. Enemy forces. Omitted.
- b. Friendly forces. Omitted.

2. MISSION. 3d Bn (Rein), 4th Mar (-) (Rein) provides security for the airfield and 8th RR and controls TAOR by aggressive day and night patrolling.

3. EXECUTION.

- a. Concept of operation. 3d Bn (Rein), 4th Mar (-) (Rein) accomplishes assigned mission by maintaining a perimeter defense around vital installations with three rifle companies (-), H&S Company, LSU and by aggressive patrolling of forward areas by perimeter units, two rifle platoons, and Recon Platoon. The Combined Action Company provides tactical forces and civic action units for the village areas. Reserve units, for duty during hours of darkness, are provided.

b. Company K - Airfield Defense Company

- (1) Provide two platoons (+) for the security of the airfield from 140800 November to 210800 November. Provide 3 listening posts. Conduct scheduled security patrols and ambushes after dark to possible enemy mortar range of the airfield in accordance with reference (b). Maintain 24 hour communications with COC. Coordinate all patrols with LSU #2 and CAC.

X (2) Sunday, 14 November - Conduct two night ambushes in the vicinity of Hill 52 (YD 813125) (S-2 Scouts will operate in area during daylight hours).

- (3) Monday, 15 November - Conduct two night ambushes in the vicinity of (YD 820173) (GIA LE HOSPITAL).

X (4) Tuesday, 16 November - Conduct two night ambushes in the vicinity of (YD 831145) in accordance with latest intelligence on new VC routes with TAOR.

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X (5) Wednesday, 17 November - Conduct two night ambushes within grid square (YD 8014).

~~Thursday, 18 November~~ (6) ~~Thursday, 18 November~~ - Conduct two night ambushes within grid square (YD 8216).

~~Friday, 19 November~~ (7) ~~Friday, 19 November~~ - Conduct two night ambushes within grid square (YD 8115).

~~Saturday, 20 November~~ (8) ~~Saturday, 20 November~~ - Conduct two night ambushes in the general vicinity of (YD 816174) (approach to CIA-LE).

(7)(9) Daily, except 14 and 16 November, conduct "stay behind" or "advance detail" operations in the western portion of the TAOR, north of the YD ~~8~~ grid line, as desired.

c. Company M - Highway Defense Company

(1) Maintain the PHU BAI Roadblock in conjunction with MP's from 240800 November to 240800 November. Utilize two platoons (+) for the defense of the Highway #1 positions and the above mentioned roadblock. Provide 3 listening posts. Maintain 24 hour communications with COC.

(2) Sunday, Monday, and Tuesday, 14, 15, and 16 November - Provide one platoon (+) each night to the PHU BAI Defense Company (Company L) for perimeter defense.

(3) Wednesday, 17 November - Conduct two night ambushes within grid square (YD 9007).

(4) Thursday, 18 November - Conduct two night ambushes within grid square (YD 9009). ~~and two night ambushes within grid square (YD 9007)~~

(5) Friday, 19 November - Conduct two night ambushes within grid square (YD 9008). ~~and two night ambushes within grid square (YD 9007)~~

(6) Saturday, 20 November - Conduct two night ambushes in the general vicinity of PHU BAI I (YD 9011). ~~and two night ambushes in the general vicinity of (YD 816174) (approach to CIA-LE)~~

d. Company L - PHU BAI Defense Company

(1) Provide two platoons (+) for the security of the approaches from PHU BAI from 240800 November to 240800 November. Conduct scheduled security patrols and ambushes after dark to possible enemy mortar range of the 8th RRU, in accordance with reference (b). Provide 3 listening posts. Maintain 24 hour communications with COC.

(2) Provide two squads for Hill 225 in accordance with reference (c). With one squad, conduct a daylight security patrol and establish night LP's along the fingers of Hill 225.

Conduct an inspection of Hill 225 ~~and~~ during the week and report results to S-3

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- (3) Sunday, 14 November - Conduct two night ambushes south of the YD 09 grid line and east of the SONG NONG River.
- (4) Monday, 15 November - In coordination with the CAC, conduct two night ambushes in the vicinity of LOC BON (YD 9308).
- (5) Tuesday, 16 November - In coordination with the CAC, conduct two night ambushes in the vicinity of THUY PHU (YD 9211).
- e. 3d Platoon, Company C, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion.
- (1) Monday and Tuesday, 15 and 16 November - Establish OP's in the SW portion of the TAOR. Call fire mission on targets of opportunity.
- (2) Friday, and Saturday, 19 and 20 November - Proceed by vehicles to NAM HOA District Headquarters (YD 763128) and in coordination with the District Chief, enter the TAOR from a new approach and capture a prisoner in the vicinity of Hill 54. Return to NAM HOA upon completion of mission and return prisoner to the Bn S-2.
- f. H&S Company.
- (1) Provide forces to maintain security for the H&S sector of the perimeter each day.
- (2) Provide detachment for Hill 180. Establish night LP's on Hill 180.
- g. 4th Battalion, 12th Marines.
- (1) Be prepared to support all operations.
- (2) Plot H&I Fires.
- (3) Continue registration of guns.
- (4) Continue to support Battalion Defensive Plan.
- (5) Continue to improve night defensive positions.
- (6) Provide a unit for perimeter defense.
- ~~(7) Displace Battery "U" on 15, 16, and 17 November for firing exercise.~~
- h. 3d Platoon, Company A, 3d Tank Battalion.
- (1) Support the Battalion Defensive Plan by providing one light section in direct support of the Highway Defense Company from 1900-0600 daily.

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(2) Thursday, 18 November - With Ontos and S-2 Scouts attached, proceed to the vicinity of Hill 42 (YD 891079) and conduct firing in the vicinity of grid squares (YD 9005) and (YD 9006). Return by an alternate route.

i. 3d Platoon, Company A, 3d Antitank Battalion.

(1) Support the Battalion Defensive Plan by providing one light section to the Airfield Defense Company as direct support from 1900 to 0600 daily.

(2) Thursday, 18 November - With tanks and S-2 Scouts attached, proceed to the vicinity of Hill 42 (YD 891079) and conduct firing in the vicinity of grid squares (YD 9005) and (YD 9006). Return by an alternate route.

j. 3d Platoon, A Engineers, 3d Engineer Battalion.

(1) Continue priority of work as designated by S-3/S-4.

(2) Conduct an inspection of Hill 225 and Hill 180 once during the week and report results to S-3. (Claymores will be disarmed daily.)

k. 81mm Mortar Platoon. (—)

(1) Support Battalion Defensive Plan.

(2) Plot H&I Fires.

(3) Be prepared, on order to attach a section of mortars to a forward platoon.

(4) Provide a section for each of Hills 225 and 180.

l. S-2 Scouts.

(1) Be prepared to establish daylight OP's and to conduct missions as assigned by S-2, based on latest intelligence requirements.

(2) Sunday, 14 November - Conduct a daylight recon patrol in the western sector of the TAOR.

X (3) Tuesday, 16 November - Conduct a daylight recon patrol in the western sector of the TAOR. (Remain north of the YD 13 grid line.)

(4) Thursday, 18 November - Provide security for tanks and ontos to Hill 42 (YD 891079) and remain behind as they leave and establish a night ambush within grid squares (YD 8907) or (YD 9007). Continue observation during daylight hours until 191500 November. (Coordinate night ambush with Company M.)

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(1) CAC #1

- (a) Continue operations in the Village of THUY LUONG. Conduct night operations except 18 November 1965.
- (b) Return to Bn CP at 0800, 18 November 1965. Return to THUY LUONG at 0800, 19 November 1965.
- (c) Provide security for medical team from 0800 to 1200 on 20 November 1965.
- (d) Provide security for Battalion Chaplains from 1300 to 1400 on 16 November 1965.

(2) CAC #2

- (a) Continue operations in Village of THUY TAN and conduct night operations each night except 16 November 1965.
- (b) Return to Bn CP at 0800 on 16 November 1965 and return to THUY TAN at 0800 on 17 November 1965.
- (c) Provide security for medical team from 0800 to 1200 on 15 November 1965.
- (d) Provide security for Battalion Chaplains from 1400 to 1500 on 18 November 1965.

(3) CAC #3

- (a) Continue operations in the Village of THUY PHU and conduct night operations each night except 17 November 1965.
- (b) Return to Bn CP at 0800, 17 November 1965 and return to THUY PHU at 0800 on 18 November 1965.
- (c) Provide security for the medical team from 0800 to 1200 on 15 November 1965.
- (d) Provide security for the Battalion Chaplains from 1300 to 1400 on 16 November 1965.

(4) CAC #4

- (a) Continue operations in the Village of LOC BON. Conduct night operations each night except 15 November 1965.
- (b) Return to Bn CP at 0800, 15 November 1965 and return to LOC BON at 0800 on 16 November 1965.

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- (c) Provide security for medical team from 0800 to 1200 on 17 November 1965.
- (d) Provide security for the Battalion Chaplains from 1300 to 1400 on 18 November 1965.

(5) Coordinating instructions.

- (a) Base operations primarily on intelligence information.
- (b) Be prepared to operate with an additional rifle platoon on order.
- (c) During period that Marine elements are located at the Bn CP, Popular Force elements will report night operations being conducted in the area prior to your departure to CP area.
- (d) Continue civic action program within your area.
- (e) Holiday preparations should continue with village children in mind. Village Chiefs, Police Chief, Village Councils and Popular Forces should be present during these arrangements.
- (f) Continue training with emphasis on Warning Orders, Patrol Orders and Patrol Reports.
- (g) Radio operators will continue to practice and to use correct and proper radio procedures. Squad Leaders will enforce correct radio procedures.
- (h) Corpsman will see that all shot cards and medical records are kept up to date at all times.
- (i) No Marine evacuees (medical) will be sent to A Med with out prior notification of this headquarters.

n. Mobile Strike Forces. (Daylight hours) in accordance with ref (f).

- (1) Sunday, ²¹~~14~~ November and Monday, ²²~~15~~ November - Company ~~K~~ M
- (2) Tuesday, ²³~~16~~ November and Wednesday, ²⁴~~17~~ November - Company ~~L~~ L
- (3) Thursday, ²⁵~~18~~ November, Friday, ~~19~~ November and Saturday, ~~20~~ November - Company ~~K~~ K

o. Reserve. (Night)

- (1) Platoon (-) from H&S Company.
- (2) One section of 3d Platoon, Company A, 3d Antitank Battalion.
- (3) One section of 3d Platoon, Company A, 3d Tank Battalion.
- (4) LSU, HM-161, and 4/12 provide Reserve Force.

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p. Coordinating instructions.

- (1) Permission to commence firing on all Firex's must be obtained from COC.
- (2) All units concerned, turn in patrol routes 24 hours in advance to COC. (H&I Fires are plotted in accordance with submitted overlay.)
- (3) Coordinate all patrols with adjacent units.
- (4) All units will check in and out with COC, ensuring that the COC Watch Officer is briefed on the details of the operation.
- (5) Ensure that the provisions of reference (d) and (e) are carried out.
- (6) Units concerned man AA defense positions.
- (7) Patrol leaders memorize concentrations located along patrol routes.

4. LOGISTICS AND ADMINISTRATION.

- a. Companies concerned will arrange for resupply with S-4.
- b. All ordnance will be checked daily.
- c. Account for all hand grenades.
- d. All helilifts must be arranged by ALO.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

- a. Radios will be inspected weekly.
- b. Battalion Command Post remains the same.
- c. Shackles may be used as desired.
- d. The Battalion Thrust Lines will be:
 - Alfa - YD 8316
 - Bravo - YD 8210
 - Charlie - YD 9108
 - Delta - YD 9014
- e. Check Points will be used for patrols.

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PHU BAI, REP OF VIETNAM
170900 November 1965

Operation Order 43-65

Ref: (a) Maps: INDOCHINA; 1:25,000, Sheets 125 34 W (AN NONG W)
and 125 33 (TOMBES ROYALES)

- (b) Frag Order 11-65
- (c) Operation Order 25-65
- (d) Battalion Order 8370.1
- (e) Battalion Order 5100.2
- (f) 3d Mar Msg dtd 171436Z
- (g) *Annex I, O.P. order 301-65*

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3d Battalion, 4th Marines (Rein)*650276-F*Copy *2* of *30* Copies1. SITUATION.

- a. Enemy forces. Omitted.
- b. Friendly forces. Omitted.

2. MISSION. 3d Bn (Rein), 4th Mar (-) (Rein) provides security for the airfield and 8th RRU and controls TAOR by aggressive day and night patrolling.3. EXECUTION.

- a. Concept of operation. 3d Bn (Rein), 4th Mar (-) (Rein) accomplishes assigned mission by maintaining a perimeter defense around vital installations with three rifle companies (-), H&S Company, LSU and by aggressive patrolling of forward areas by perimeter units, two rifle platoons, and Recon Platoon. The Combined Action Company provides tactical forces and civic action units for the village areas. Reserve units, for duty during hours of darkness, are provided. *"Hunter-killer" Team operations are omitted conducted daily.*

b. Company K - Airfield Defense Company

- (1) Provide two platoons (+) for the security of the airfield from ~~210800~~ November to ~~260800~~ November. Provide 3 listening posts. Conduct scheduled security patrols and ambushes after dark to possible enemy mortar range of the airfield in accordance with reference (b). Maintain 24 hour communications with COC. Coordinate all patrols with LSU #2 and CAC.
- (2) ~~Conduct two night ambushes daily in the eastern sector of the TAOR. (Report locations to COC 24 hours in advance.)~~

c. Company M - Highway Defense Company

- (1) Maintain the PHU BAI Roadblock in conjunction with MPs' from ~~210800~~ November to ~~250800~~ November. Utilize two platoons (+) for the defense of the Highway #1 positions and the above mentioned roadblock. Provide 3 listening posts. Maintain 24 hour communications with COC.

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- (2) Provide two squads for Hill 225 in accordance with reference (c). With one squad, conduct a daylight security patrol and establish night LP's along the fingers of Hill 225. Conduct an inspection of Hill 225 during the week and report results to S-3.

d. Company B, PHU BAI Defense Company

- (1) Provide two platoons (+) for the security of the approaches from PHU BAI from 20800 November to 260800 November. Conduct scheduled security patrols and ambushes after dark to possible enemy mortar range of the 8th RRU, in accordance with reference (b). Provide 3 listening posts. Maintain 24 hour communications with COC.
- (2) Conduct daily day and night operations within the GIA LE Operations Area to destroy VC influence in the area. A civic action program and a psychological operations program will be emphasized in coordination with the HUONG THUY U's unit chief. (Report all patrols and other activities to S-3 Sit Rep NCO.)

e. 6th Platoon, Company C, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion.

- (1) Monday, 22 November - Establish a daylight OP in the western sector of the TAOR south of the ND 15 grid line.
- (2) Tuesday, 23 November - Establish a daylight OP in the eastern sector of the TAOR south of the ND 08 grid line.
- (3) Wednesday, 24 November - Conduct a daylight recon patrol along the BONG NONG River.
- (4) Thursday and Friday, 25 and 26 November - Establish a daylight OP in the southwestern portion of the TAOR and call fire on targets of opportunity.

f. H&S Company.

- (1) Provide force to maintain security for the H&S sector of the perimeter each day.
- (2) Provide detachment for Hill 180. Establish night LP's on Hill 180.

g. 4th Battalion, 12th Marines.

- (1) Be prepared to support all operations.
- (2) Plot H&I Fires.
- (3) Continue registration of guns.
- (4) Continue to support Battalion Defensive Plan.

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- (5) Continue to improve night defensive positions.
- (6) Provide a unit for perimeter defense.
- h. 3d Platoon, Company A, 3d Tank Battalion.
- (1) Support the Battalion Defensive Plan by providing one light section in direct support of the Highway Defense Company from 1900-0600 daily.
- (2) ~~Thursday, 22 November - In coordination with Company L, conduct a tank-infantry patrol overland to the GIA LE Operation Area. (Do not follow trails or roads and do not return by the same route.)~~
- i. 3d Platoon, Company A, 3d Antitank Battalion - Support the Battalion Defensive Plan by providing one light section to the Airfield Defense Company as direct support from 1900 to 0600 daily.
- j. 3d Platoon, A Engineers, 3d Engineer Battalion.
- (1) Continue priority of work as designated by S-3/S-4.
- (2) Conduct an inspection of Hill 225 and Hill 180 once during the week and report results to S-3. (Claymores will be disarmed daily.)
- (3) During the task, in coordination with Company M, conduct mine clearing operations within the GIA LE Operations Area.
- k. 81mm Mortar Platoon (-).
- (1) Support Battalion Defensive Plan.
- (2) Plot H&I Fires.
- (3) Be prepared, on order to attach a section of mortars to a forward platoon.
- (4) Provide a section for each of Hills 225 and 180.
- l. S-2 Scouts.
- (1) Be prepared to establish daylight OP's and to conduct missions as assigned by S-2, based on latest intelligence requirements.
- (2) ~~Tuesday - Thursday, 23 - 25 November - With Battalion Sniper Team (all six members) attached, proceed by vehicles to NAM HOA District Headquarters (YD 763128) and, in coordination with the District Chief, enter the TAOR from that direction and conduct recon and sniper activities at VC in the SW portion of the TAOR. Remain in area of NAM HOA District Headquarters when not on patrol.~~

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(1) CAC #1

- (a) Continue operations in the Village of THUY LUONG. Conduct night operations except 25 November 1965.
- (b) Return to Bn CP at 0800, 25 November 1965. Return to THUY LUONG at 0800, 26 November 1965.
- (c) Provide security for medical team from 0800 to 1200 on 24 November 1965.
- (d) Provide security for Battalion Chaplains from 1300 to 1400 on 23 November 1965.

(2) CAC #2

- (a) Continue operations in Village of THUY TAN and conduct night operations each night except 24 November 1965.
- (b) Return to Bn CP at 0800 on 24 November 1965 and return to THUY TAN at 0800 on 25 November 1965.
- (c) Provide security for medical team from 0800 to 1200 on 27 November 1965.
- (d) Provide security for Battalion Chaplains from 1400 to 1500 on 25 November 1965.

(3) CAC #3

- (a) Continue operations in the Village of THUY PHU and conduct night operations each night except 26 November 1965.
- (b) Return to Bn CP at 0800, 26 November 1965 and return to THUY PHU at 0800 on 27 November 1965.
- (c) Provide security for the medical team from 0800 to 1200 on 22 November 1965.
- (d) Provide security for the Battalion Chaplains from 1400 to 1500 on 23 November 1965.

(4) CAC #4

- (a) Continue operations in the Village of LOC BON. Conduct night operations each night except 22 November 1965.
- (b) Return to Bn CP at 0800, 22 November 1965 and return to LOC BON at 0800 on 23 November 1965.

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- (c) Provide security for medical team from 0800 to 1200 on 25 November 1965.
- (d) Provide security for the Battalion Chaplains from 1400 to 1500 on 25 November 1965.
- (5) Coordinating instructions.
- (a) Base operations primarily on intelligence information.
- (b) Be prepared to operate with an additional rifle platoon on order.
- (c) During period that Marine elements are located at the Bn CP, Popular Force elements will report night operations being conducted in the area prior to your departure to CP area.
- (d) Continue civic action program within your area.
- (e) Holiday preparations should continue with village children in mind. Village Chiefs, Police Chief, Village Council and Popular Forces should be present during these arrangements.
- (f) Continue training with emphasis on Warning Orders, Patrol Orders and Patrol Reports.
- (g) Radio operators will continue to practice and to use correct and proper radio procedures. Squad Leaders will enforce correct radio procedures.
- (h) Corpsman will see that all shot cards and medical records are kept up to date at all times.
- (i) No Marine evacuees (medical) will be sent to A Med without prior notification of this headquarters.
- n. Mobile Strike Forces. (Daylight hours) in accordance with ref (f).
- Fri, Sat, and Sun, 26-28 NOV. - Co L*
- (1) ~~Sunday, 21 November and Monday, 22 November - Company M~~
- Mon and Tues, 29 & 30 NOV - Co M*
- (2) ~~Tuesday, 23 November and Wednesday, 24 November - Company L~~
- Wed. & Thurs, 1 & 2 Dec - Co K*
- (3) ~~Thursday, 25 November - Company K~~
- Reserve. (Night)
- (1) Platoon (-) from H&S Company.
- (2) One section of 3d Platoon, Company A, 3d Antitank Battalion.
- (3) One section of 3d Platoon, Company A, 3d Tank Battalion.
- (4) LSU, HMM-161, and 4/12 provide Reserve Force.

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9. Coordinating instructions.

- (1) Permission to commence firing on all Firex's must be obtained from COC.
- (2) All units concerned, turn in patrol routes 24 hours in advance to COC. (H&I Fires are plotted in accordance with submitted overlay.)
- (3) Coordinate all patrols with adjacent units.
- (4) All units will check in and out with COC, ensuring that the COC Watch Officer is briefed on the details of the operation.
- (5) Ensure that the provisions of reference (d) and (e) are carried out.
- (6) Units concerned man AA defense positions.
- (7) Patrol leaders memorize concentrations located along patrol routes *and check out with S-2 and Artillery Liaison Off.*
- ~~(8) All units conduct one Counter attack drill during week. (Ref 6)~~

4. LOGISTICS AND ADMINISTRATION.

- a. Companies concerned will arrange for resupply with S-4.
- b. All ordnance will be checked daily.
- c. Account for all hand grenades.
- d. All helilifts ^{are to} ~~must~~ be arranged by AIO.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

- a. Radios will be inspected weekly.
- b. Battalion Command Post remains the same.
- c. Shackles may be used as desired.
- d. The Battalion Thrust Lines will be:
 - Alfa - YD 8316
 - Bravo - YD 8210
 - Charlie - YD 9108
 - Delta - YD 9014
- e. Check Points will be used for patrols.

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 021600 November 1965

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- (b) Frag Order 11-65
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1. SITUATION.

- a. Enemy forces. Omitted.
- b. Friendly forces. Omitted.

2. MISSION. 3d Bn (Rein), 4th Mar (-) (Rein) provides security for the airfield and 8th RRU and controls TAOR by aggressive day and night patrolling.

3. EXECUTION.

a. Concept of operation. 3d Bn (Rein), 4th Mar (-) (Rein) accomplishes assigned mission by maintaining a perimeter defense around vital installations with three rifle companies (-), H&S Company, LSU and by aggressive patrolling of forward areas by perimeter units, two rifle platoons, and a Recon Platoon. The Combined Action Company provides tactical forces and civic action units for the village areas. Reserve units, for duty during hours of darkness, are provided.

b. Company K - Airfield Defense Company

- (1) Provide two platoons (+) for the security of the airfield from 070800 November to 140800 November. Provide listening posts. Conduct scheduled security patrols and ambushes after dark to possible enemy mortar range of the airfield in accordance with reference (b). Maintain 24 hour communications with COC.
- (2) Provide two squads for Hill 225 in accordance with reference (c). With one squad, conduct a daylight security patrol and establish night LP's along the fingers of Hill 225.
- (3) Tuesday, 9 November - Conduct two night ambushes within grid square (YD 8316).
- (4) Thursday, 11 November - Conduct two night ambushes within grid square (YD 8315).

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c. Company I - Highway Defense Company

- (1) Maintain the PHU BAI Roadblock in conjunction with MP's from 070800 November to 140800 November. Utilize two platoons (+) for the defense of the Highway #1 positions and the above mentioned roadblock. Provide listening posts. Maintain 24 hour communications with COC.
- (2) Sunday, 7 November - Conduct two night ambushes within grid square (YD 8214).
- (3) Monday, 8 November - Conduct two night ambushes within grid square (YD 8112).
- (4) Tuesday, 9 November - In preparation for OPERATION SCORPION, maintain two platoons in perimeter and provide one platoon to Company K for perimeter defense in their sector.
- (5) Wednesday, 10 November - Conduct OPERATION SCORPION with Reconnaissance Platoon, Engineers and ARVN Liaison personnel attached. Move to an assembly area in the western sector of the TAOR. After dark, establish four night ambushes from (YD 825155) to (YD 809157), and one night ambush at (YD 797140). Reconnaissance Platoon establish night position vicinity of (YD 813124). At first light, 11 November, two platoons sweep southwest from (YD 813157) to (YD 803142). Reconnaissance Platoon block from (YD 805127) to (YD 804136) and one platoon block at (YD 797140). Upon completion of sweep, platoon at (YD 797140) sweeps valley southeast from blocking position to (YD 808132). Return to Base Camp at 1500 on 11 November.
- (6) Thursday, 11 November - Maintain two platoons in perimeter and provide one platoon to Company K for perimeter defense in their sector.
- (7) Friday, 12 November - Conduct two night ambushes within grid square (YD 8114).
- (8) Saturday, 13 November - Conduct two night ambushes within grid square (YD 7913).

d. Company L - PHU BAI Defense Company

- (1) Provide two platoons (+) for the security of the approaches from PHU BAI from 070800 November to 140800 November. Conduct scheduled security patrols and ambushes after dark to possible enemy mortar range of the 8th RRU, in accordance with reference (b). Provide listening posts. Maintain 24 hour communications with COC.
- (2) Provide one platoon each night, except 10 November, for ambushes in conjunction with the Combined Action Company.
- (3) Wednesday, 10 November - In support of OPERATION SCORPION, provide one platoon for perimeter defense in the sector of Company I.

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e. 3d Platoon, Company C, 3d Accompaniment Battalion.

- (1) Monday and Tuesday, 8 and 9 November - Establish a daylight OP in the western sector of the TAOR.
- (2) Wednesday and Thursday, 10 and 11 November - Support OPERATION SCORPION.
- (3) Saturday, 13 November - Establish a daylight OP in the eastern sector of the TAOR.

f. H&S Company.

- (1) Provide forces to maintain security for the H&S sector of the perimeter each day.
- (2) Provide detachment for Hill 180. Establish night LP's on Hill 180.
- (3) Wednesday, 10 November - Provide 20 men to Company I for perimeter defense for the period 1830-0600.

g. 4th Battalion, 12th Marines.

- (1) Be prepared to support all operations.
- (2) Plot H&I Fires.
- (3) Continue registration of guns.
- (4) Continue to support Battalion Defensive Plan.
- (5) ~~Continue to improve night defensive positions.~~
- (6) Provide a unit for perimeter defense.

h. 3d Platoon, A Company, 3d Tank Battalion - Support the Battalion Defensive Plan by providing one light section in direct support of the Highway Defense Company from 1900-0600 daily.i. 3d Platoon, A Company, 3d Antitank Battalion - Support the Battalion Defensive Plan by providing one light section to the Airfield Defense Company as direct support from 1900 to 0600 daily.j. 3d Platoon, A Engineers, 3d Engineer Battalion.

- (1) Continue priority of work as designated by S-3/S-4.
- (2) Support OPERATION SCORPION Wednesday and Thursday, 10 and 11 November.
- (3) Conduct an inspection of Hill 225 and Hill 180 once during the week and report results to S-3. (Claymores will be disarmed daily.)

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- (1) Support Battalion Defensive Plan.
 - (2) Plot H&I Fires.
 - (3) Be prepared, on order to attach a section of mortars to a forward platoon.
 - (4) Provide a section for each of Hills 225 and 180.
- l. S-2 Scouts - Be prepared to establish daylight OP's and to conduct missions as assigned by S-2, based on latest intelligence requirements.

m. Combined Action Company.

(1) CAC #1

- (a) Continue operations in the Village of THUY LUONG. Conduct night operations each night except 6 November 1965.
- (b) Return to Bn CP at 0800, 8 November 1965. Return to THUY LUONG at 0800, 9 November 1965.
- (c) Provide security for medical team from 0800 to 1200 on 13 November 1965.
- (d) Provide security for Battalion Chaplains from 1300 to 1400 on 11 November 1965.

(2) CAC #2

- (a) Continue operations in Village of THUY TAN and conduct night operations each night.
- (b) Return to Battalion CP at 0800 on 12 November 1965 and return to THUY TAN at 0800 on 13 November 1965.
- (c) Provide security for medical team from 0800 to 1200 on 11 November 1965.
- (d) Provide security for Battalion Chaplains from 1400 to 1500 on 11 November 1965.

(3) CAC #3

- (a) Continue operations in the Village of THUY PHU and conduct night operations each night except 11 November 1965.
- (b) Return to Battalion CP at 0800, 11 November 1965 and return to THUY PHU at 0800 on 12 November 1965.

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- (c) Provide security for the medical team from 0800 to 1200 on 9 November 1965.
- (d) Provide security for the Battalion Chaplains from 1300 to 1400 on 9 November 1965.
- (4) CAC #4
- (a) Continue operations in the Village of LOC BON. Conduct night operations each night except 9 November 1965.
- (b) Return to Battalion CP at 0800 on 9 November 1965 and return to LOC BON at 0800 on 10 November 1965.
- (c) Provide security for medical team from 0800 to 1200 on 8 November 1965.
- (5) Coordinating instructions.
- (a) Base operations primarily on intelligence information.
- (b) Be prepared to operate with an additional rifle platoon on order.
- (c) During period that Marine elements are located at the Battalion CP, Popular Force elements will report night operations being conducted.
- (d) Continue civic action program within your area.
- (e) Marine Corps Birthday celebration will be held in each village. Village chiefs, police chief, village councils and Popular Forces should be present.
- (f) Continue training with emphasis on warning orders, patrol orders and patrol reports.
- n. Mobile Strike Forces. (Daylight hours) in accordance with ref (f).
- (1) Sunday, 7 November and Monday, 8 November - Company I
- (2) Tuesday, 9 November and Wednesday, 10 November - Company L
- (3) Thursday, 11 November, Friday, 12 November and Saturday, 13 November - Company K
- o. Reserve. (Night)
- (1) Platoon (-) from H&S Company.
- (2) One section of 3d Platoon, A Company, 3d Antitank Battalion
- (3) One section of 3d Platoon, A Company, 3d Tank Battalion
- (4) LSO, HMM-161, and 4/12 provide Reserve Force.

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- (1) Permission to commence firing on all Firex's must be obtained from COC.
- (2) All units concerned, turn in patrol routes 24 hours in advance to COC. (H&I Fires are plotted in accordance with submitted overlay.)
- (3) Coordinate all patrols with adjacent units.
- (4) All units will check in and out with COC, ensuring that the COC Watch Officer is briefed on the details of the operation.
- (5) Ensure that the provisions of reference (d) and (e) are carried out.
- (6) Units concerned man AA defense positions.
- (7) Patrol leaders memorize concentrations located along patrol routes.

4. LOGISTICS AND ADMINISTRATION.

- a. Companies concerned will arrange for resupply with S-4.
- b. All ordnance will be checked daily.
- c. Account for all hand grenades.
- d. All helilifts must be arranged by ALO.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

- a. Radios will be inspected weekly.
- b. Battalion Command Post remains the same.
- c. Shackles may be used as desired.
- d. The Battalion Thrust Lines will be:

Alfa - YD 8316

Bravo - YD 8210

Charlie - YD 9108

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- e. Check Points will be used for patrols.

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M	(1)	LSU	(1)
H&S Co	(1)	HMM-161	(1)
3d Platoon, A Engineers	(1)	Command Chronology	(1)
COC	(1)	Marine LO, 1st ARVN Div	(1)

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211600 November 1965Operation Order 44-65 *w/ch#1*

- Ref: (a) Maps: INDOCHINA; 1:25,000, Sheets 125 34 W (AN NONG W)
and 125 33 (TOMBES ROYALES)
- (b) Frag Order 11-65
(c) Operation Order 25-65
(d) Battalion Order 8576.1
(e) Battalion Order 5100.2
(f) 3d Mar Msg dtd 171436Z
(g) Annex I, Operation Order 301-65

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HEADQUARTERS
3d Battalion, 4th Marines (Rein)650276-6Copy 6 of 30 Copies1. SITUATION.

- a. Enemy forces. Omitted.
- b. Friendly forces. Omitted.

2. MISSION. 3d Bn (Rein), 4th Mar (-) (Rein) provides security for the airfield and 8th RRU and controls TAOR by aggressive day and night patrolling.

3. EXECUTION.

- a. Concept of operation. 3d Bn (Rein), 4th Mar (-) (Rein) accomplishes assigned mission by maintaining a perimeter defense around vital installations with three rifle companies (-), H&S Company, LSU and by aggressive patrolling of forward areas by perimeter units, two rifle platoons, and Recon Platoon. The Combined Action Company provides tactical forces and civic action units for the village areas. Reserve units, for duty during hours of darkness, are provided. "Hunter-killer" Team operations are conducted daily.
- b. Company K - Airfield Defense Company

- (1) Provide two platoons (+) for the security of the airfield from 260800 November to 030800 December. Provide 3 listening posts. Conduct scheduled security patrols and ambushes after dark to possible enemy mortar range of the airfield in accordance with reference (b). Maintain 24 hour communications with COC. Coordinate all patrols with LSU #2 and CAC.
- (2) Friday, 26 November - Provide one platoon to Company M for perimeter defense.
- (3) Saturday, 27 November to Saturday, 0900, 4 December - Provide two squads for Hill 225 in accordance with reference (c). With one squad, conduct a daylight security patrol and establish night LP's along the fingers of Hill 225. Conduct an inspection of Hill 225 during the week and report results to S-3.

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c. Company N - Highway Defense Company

- (1) Maintain the PHU BAI Roadblock in conjunction with MPs' from 260800 November to 030800 December. Utilize two platoons (+) for the defense of the Highway #1 positions and the above mentioned roadblock. Provide 3 listening posts. Maintain 24 hour communications with COC.
- (2) Conduct daily day and night operations within the GIA LE Operation Area to destroy VC influence in the area. A civic action program and a psychological operations program will be emphasized in coordination with the HUONG THUY District Chief. Patrol railroad tracks daily to prevent VC sabotage. (Report all patrols and other activities to S-3 Sit Rep NCO.)
- (3) Retain control of Hill 225 until relieved by Company K on Saturday, 27 November. (Receive perimeter support by Company K on Friday, 26 November.)

d. Company L - PHU BAI Defense Company

- (1) Provide two platoons (+) for the security of the approaches from PHU BAI from 260800 to 030800 December. Conduct scheduled security patrols and ambushes after dark to possible mortar range of the 8th HRU, in accordance with reference (b). Provide 3 listening posts. Maintain 24 hour communications with COC.
- (2) Conduct two night ambushes daily, except Thursday, 2 December, in the eastern sector of the TAOR. (Report locations to COC 24 hour in advance.)

e. 3d Platoon, Company C, 3d Reconnaissance Battalion.

- (1) Sunday, 28 November-Tuesday, 30 November - With members of the Battalion Sniper Team attached, proceed by vehicles to NAM HOA District Headquarters (YD 763128) and, in coordination with the District Chief, enter the TAOR from that direction and, in the area west of the YD 80 grid line, conduct recon and sniper activities. When not on patrol, operate from NAM HOA District Headquarters, remaining alert for possible VC attack in that area. Utilize maximum artillery support for the period.
- (2) Thursday, 2 December - Conduct a night ambush along Route 14.

f. H&S Company.

- (1) Provide forces to maintain security for the H&S sector of the perimeter each day.
- (2) Provide detachment for Hill 180. Establish night LP's on Hill 180.

g. 4th Battalion, 12th Marines.

- (1) Be prepared to support all operations.

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- (2) Plot H&I Fires.
- (3) Continue registration of guns.
- (4) Continue to support Battalion Defensive Plan.
- (5) Continue to improve night defensive position.
- (6) Provide a unit for perimeter defense.
- h. 3d Platoon, Company A, 3d Tank Battalion.
- (1) Support the Battalion Defensive Plan by providing one light section in direct support of the Highway Defense Company from 1900-0600 daily.
- (2) Sunday, 28 November - With one section proceed to a firing point within grid square (YD 8809) and, in coordination with Company L ambushes as security, fire at night in support of these ambushes. Utilize your light and all weapons as support. After 0400, commence a training exercise in night firing. Return to Base Camp at first light.
- (3) Tuesday, 30 November - With the other section carry out the same mission described in paragraph 3h(2) above, selecting an alternate firing position within the same grid square.
- (4) Impact areas for the operations discussed in paragraphs 3h(2) and 3h(3) above are grid squares (YD 8707), (YD 8807), (YD 8706), (YD 8806), (YD 8705), and (YD 8805).
- i. 3d Platoon, Company A, 3d Antitank Battalion - Support the Battalion Defensive Plan by providing one light section to the Airfield Defense Company as direct support from 1900 to 0600 daily.
- j. 3d Platoon, A Engineers, 3d Engineer Battalion.
- (1) Continue priority of work as designated by S-3/S-4.
- (2) Conduct an inspection of Hill 225 and Hill 180 once during the week and report results to S-3. (Claymores will be disarmed daily.)
- (3) During the week, in coordination with Company M, conduct mine clearing operations within the GIA LE Operations Area.
- k. 81mm Mortar Platoon (-).
- (1) Support Battalion Defensive Plan.
- (2) Plot H&I Fires

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- (3) Be prepared, on order to attach a section of mortars to a forward platoon.
- (4) Provide a section for each of Hills 225 and 180.
- 1. S-2 Scouts - Be prepared to establish daylight OP's and to conduct missions as assigned by S-2, based on latest intelligence requirements.
- m. Combined Action Company.
 - (1) All CA Platoons continue operations in their respective villages during the period 260001 November to 032400 December except as indicated below.
 - (2) Squads will return to the Battalion CP as follows:
 - (a) CAC #4 - 29 November
 - (b) CAC #3 - 1 December
 - (c) CAC #1 - 2 December
 - (d) CAC #2 - 3 December
 - (3) During the period the Marine Squad is in the CP area, Popular Force elements will report night operations being conducted.
 - (4) The Battalion Medical Team will visit areas as follows:
 - (a) THUY TAN - 27 November
 - (b) THUY LUONG - 30 November
 - (c) LOC BON - 1 December
 - (d) THUY TAN - 3 December
 - (5) ~~The~~ Battalion Chaplains will visit villages as follows:
 - (a) LOC BON - 30 November
 - (b) THUY TAN - 2 December
 - (6) The National Railroad will be patrolled daily, inspecting the railway for possible enemy sabotage. CAC #3 will be patrolling from (YD 901127) to (YD 919111) and CAC #4 will be patrolling from (YD 918112) to (YD 929093).
 - (7) Be prepared to operate with an additional rifle platoon on order.
 - (8) Base operations primarily on intelligence received from village officials and Nation Police. Report all intelligence immediately to this headquarters.

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- (9) Continue civic action projects within your area.
- (10) Continue PF/Marine Training with emphasis on village defense, map reading and radio procedures.
- n. Mobile Strike Forces. (Daylight hours) in accordance with ref (f).
- (1) Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 26-28 November - Company L
 - (2) Monday and Tuesday, 29 and 30 November - Company M
 - (3) Wednesday and Thursday, 1 and 2 December - Company K
- o. "Hunter-killer" Team Operations - On days enumerated below units will conduct "Hunter-killer" Team Operations by helilifting over the southern portion of the TAOR and searching for VC elements within the TAOR. Units will engage small VC units on the ground, call for reinforcements, or direct supporting arms in the area. A Liaison Officer will accompany these units and assist in screening civilians for possible VCs. Civilians will be directed to leave the area by the Liaison Officer.
- (1) Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, 26-28 November - Company L
 - (2) Monday and Tuesday, 29 and 30 November - Company M
 - (3) Wednesday and Thursday, 1 and 2 December - Company K
- p. Reserve. (Night)
- (1) Platoon (-) from H&S Company.
 - (2) One section of 3d Platoon, Company A, 3d Antitank Battalion.
 - (3) One section of 3d Platoon, Company A, 3d Tank Battalion.
 - (4) LSU, HMM-161, and 4/12 provide Reserve Force.
- q. Coordinating instruction.
- (1) Permission to commence firing on all Firex's must be obtained from COC.
 - (2) All units concerned, turn in patrol routes 24 hours in advance to COC. (H&I Fires are plotted in accordance with submitted overlay.)
 - (3) Coordinate all patrols with adjacent units.
 - (4) All units will check in and out with COC, ensuring that the COC Watch Officer is briefed on the details of the operation.
 - (5) Ensure that the provisions of reference (d) and (e) are carried out.

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- (6) Units concerned man AA defense positions.
- (7) Patrol leaders memorize concentrations located along patrol routes and check out with S-2 and Artillery Liaison Officer.
- (8) All units will make maximum use of seismic detection devices and report results to S-3

4. LOGISTICS AND ADMINISTRATION.

- a. Companies concerned will arrange for resupply with S-4.
- b. All ordnance will be checked daily.
- c. Account for all hand grenades.
- d. All helilifts are to be arranged by AIO.

5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS.

- a. Radios will be inspected weekly.
- b. Battalion Command Post remains the same.
- c. Shackles may be used as desired.
- d. The Battalion Thrust Lines will be:

Alfa - YD 8316

Bravo - YD 8210

Charlie - YD 9108

Delta - YD 9014

- e. Check Points will be used for patrols.


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 3d Platoon, A Engineers
 COC

(1) CG, 3d Mar Div (Attn: G-3) (1)
 (1) 3d Platoon, C Recon Company (1)
 (1) CO, 3d Marines (3)
 (1) Hdqtrs, 4/12 (4)
 (3) Combined Action Company (1)
 (1) Tanks (1)
 (1) AT's (1)
 (1) 220 AVN Sqdn (1)
 (1) 3d Recon Bn (1)
 (1) LSU (1)
 (1) HMM-161 (1)
 (1) Command Chronology (1)
 (1) Marine LO, 1st ARVN Div (1)
 8th RRU (1)

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Change No. 1 to Operation Order 44-65

Ref: None

1. Make the following pen changes in Operation Order 44-65:

- a. Delete subparagraph 3.1.
- b. Add new subparagraph 3.1. as follows:

"1. S-2 Scouts

1. Be prepared to establish daylight OPs, based on latest intelligence requirements.
2. Friday, 26 Nov - Conduct a daylight recon patrol of Route #14 to the YD 03 grid line.
3. Saturday, 27 Nov - Establish a daylight OP in the vicinity of Hill 110 (YD 868059).
4. Sunday, 28 Nov - Conduct a daylight recon patrol to grid square YD 9006. Move to the general vicinity of Hill 42 (YD 891079) and set in a night ambush. (Coordinate with Co L).
5. Tuesday, 30 Nov - Establish a daylight OP in the vicinity of Hill 61 (YD 821119).
6. Wednesday, 1 Dec - Establish a daylight OP in the vicinity of Hill 52 (YD 813125).
7. Thursday, 2 Dec - Establish a night ambush in the vicinity of YD 800139."

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DESCRIPTION:

CO, 3d Bn, 4th Mar	(1) CG, 3d Mar Div (Attn: G-3)	(1)
XO, 3d Bn, 4th Mar	(1) 3d Platoon, C Recon Company	(1)
S-1	(1) CO, 3d Marines	(3)
S-2	(1) Hdqtrs, 4/12	(4)
S-3	(3) Combined Action Company	(1)
S-4	(1) Tanks	(1)
Co I	(1) AT's	(1)
K	(1) 220th AVN Sqdn	(1)
L	(1) 3d Recon Bn	(1)
M	(1) LSU	(1)
N&S Co	(1) HMM-161	(1)
3d Platoon, A Engineers	(1) Marine LO, 1st ARVN Div	(1)
	8th RRU	(1)

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FSCC Report1. Significant Event

a. Fired numerous missions in support of ARVN Forces. Under ARVN request, reinforced ARVN artillery fire on actual VC targets on three occasions. On one of these support mission Marine Artillery was instrumental in stopping VC attack on ARVN District Headquarters (NAM HOA).

b. 4/12 Artillery Battalion continued training of units by conducting 3 day field displacements for the various batteries. Involved in this was extensive night firing under illumination.

2. Artillery Units

a. Mike Battery, 4/12 (155 Howitzer)

b. India Battery, 3/12 (105 Howitzer)

c. Whiskey Battery, 2/12 (177mm Howtar)

d. Headquarters Battery, 4/12 (Battalion Headquarters)

3. Naval Ships. None.4. Type and Number of Missions Delivered

a. Unobserved - 231

b. Observed - 298

c. Service Practice - 50

d. M&I - 2593

e. Demonstration - 1

f. Registrations - 10

g. Destruction - 3

5. Ammunition Expended by Type

a. 155mm

(1) HE - 2388

(2) Illumination - 50

(3) WP - 97

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b. 105 F

- (1) NE - 2214
- (2) Illumination - 92
- (3) WP - 205

c. 107mm

- (1) NE - 656
- (2) Illumination - 7
- (3) WP - 165

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LOGISTICS

1. Supply. On 23 November the direct delivery package from MCSC, Barstow, California arrived at this unit. This package, containing such critical items as M-14 magazine pouches, 45 Cal. magazines, mess utensils and vehicle tires and tubes, has alleviated some of this units problem supply items.

2. Cantonment and Camp Facilities Development. During the month of November the cantonment program was the most significant logistical event. As of 30 November, 104 strongbacked tents have been constructed and erected. This figure represents 63% completion of strongbacking. Two modified 500 man galleys and one butler building have the foundations layed and completion is estimated within two weeks.

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Air Defense

1. Active Measures - None
2. Passive Measures - All available .50 Caliber Machine guns and air mounts in this area are utilized for air defense. The Marines manning the guns 24 hours a day have been previously schooled on the nomenclature, care and cleaning and firing with the air mounts.
3. Special Training - None
4. Incidents - None

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Combat Air Support1. Aviation Units Providing Support

- a. MAG-12 provided close air support.
- b. HMM-161 provided helicopter support.

2. Significant Eventsa. Close Air Support

<u>Date</u>	<u>Aircraft/Unit</u>	<u>Target</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
5 Nov	4 A4s/MAG-12	Reported VC units at: YD 814023, YD 722095 and YD 671105	Strikes were controlled by TAC (A) in 01-E provided by 220 th AVN Co
15 Nov	2 A4s/MAG-12	Reported VC radio site at YD 820014	The 2 A4s were first used as helo escort for small operation at YD 915163 then diverted to conduct air strike controlled by TAC (A) in 01-E provided by 220 th AVN Co

b. Helicopter Support

<u>Date</u>	<u>Aircraft/Unit</u>	<u>Mission</u>	<u>Remarks</u>
1 Nov	3 H-34s/HMM-161	Transport civil affairs supplies from DA NANG to PHU BAI	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	OP Resupply	
	1 H-34/HMM-161	Pay Officer to OP 225 and return	
2 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Recon Flight	

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	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	19 troops from YD 814125 to CP LZ
3 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	12 troops from CP LZ to OP 180
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
4 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	7 troops from CP LZ to OP 180
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Recon Flight	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	7 troops from OP 180 to CP LZ
5 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	16 troops from CP LZ to YD 813125
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Recon Flight	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	16 troops from YD 813125 to CP LZ
6 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
	1 H-34/HMM-161	Troop	4 troops to OP 225
7 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	60 troops to OP 225 and return
8 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	17 troops from CP LZ to YD 819079
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Recon Flight	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
9 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	17 troops from YD 819079 to CP LZ
10 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	

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	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
11 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
	3 H-34s/HMM-161	Pax-Admin	Detachment 3d Mar Div Band from HUE Citadel to DA NANG
	4 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	150 troops from YD 813125 to CP LZ
12 Nov	1 H-34/HMM-161	Recon Flight	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
13 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	9 troops from CP LZ to YD 885090 and return
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	38 troops from CP LZ to YD 831120
14 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	25 troops from CP LZ to OP 225 and return
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	VIP	Helo tour of TAOR
15 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	21 troops from CP LZ to YD 835032
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
	1 H-34/HMM-161	Admin	Pay Officer to OPs and return
16 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	21 troops from YD 820081 to CP LZ
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Admin	Bn CO to DA NANG and return
17 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
18 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Admin	Civil affairs supplies from DA NANG to PHU BAI

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	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
19 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Hunter-killer	Two helos air-borne one hour with one squad as "Hunter-killer Team"
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Admin	10 passengers to Hill 41 in DA NANG
20 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Hunter-killer	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	28 troops from YD 763128 to CP LZ
21 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	60 troops to OP 225 and return
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Hunter-killer	
23 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Hunter-killer	
24 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	12 troops from CP LZ to OP 180
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	12 troops from YD 805127 to CP LZ
25 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Troop	21 troops from CP LZ to YD 820120
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Hunter-killer	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
27 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Admin	Civil affairs supplies from DA NANG to PHU BAI

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	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
28 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Hunter-killer	
29 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	VIP	Tour of TAOR and defense peri- meter and to DA NANG
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
30 Nov	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Re-supply	
	2 H-34s/HMM-161	Hunter-killer	

c. On 19 November, a new tactic was introduced. At least three times weekly, one squad, or Hunter-killer Team, remains airborne in helicopters over the TAOR for one hour, landing and investigating anything of suspicion in the TAOR.

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MEDICAL AND DENTAL SUPPORT1. SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

a. The month of November a noted increase of colds and a slight increase in Upper Respiratory Infections and skin infections due to the heavy rains were seen. There were seven cases of Gonorrhoea and seven cases of Non Specific Urethritis this month.

b. The Village of Gai Le, which has a dispensary run by Civilian Public Health Nurses, Midwives, and Student Nurses, now has the Medical Assistance twice weekly by a Doctor and Corpsman from 3rd Battalion 4th Marines Battalion Aid Station.

c. The CB'S have built five "8-Holers" and one "4-Holer" that are very well constructed and walled and screened in.

d. Straggler immunizations were given last month, however, there are still some stragglers plus new men which will be taken care of between the sixth and tenth of December.

e. Medical Indoctrination talks are now being given to New Men reporting to the Battalion and Vietnam.

f. One day weekly (Thursday) has been designated "training day" for all corpsman of 3rd Battalion 4th Marines. A lecture and/or instruction period is given in the Battalion Aid Station at 1330 or thereabout on such subjects as advanced first aid, sanitation and health records.

2. MEDICAL TRENDS

a. The need for more intensification in the handling, cleaning, and especially the safety factors of the Army .45 Caliber Pistol for Hospital Corpsman.

b. The use of the "Bottle, snap on cap, plastic, 10 dr., 72's, FSN 6530-889-9028", for the purpose of placing Morphine syrettesin Unit 1's for protection from moisture and crushing damage to the syrettes.

c. It is felt by most of the Corpsman in the field with

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3rd Battalion, 4th Marines, that the size of the Unit 1 should be increased to half again the present size in order to carry more battle-dressings.

d. The The fielding of future Battalion Aid Stations with new or nearly new ambulances and spare parts on account of climate and rough terrain.

e. Gunnery and Platoon Sergeants are not relying on the HM's Medical suggestions in regard to evacuation, Sick Call, and obtaining transportation for patients.

f. Red lens flashlights for use by HM's at night in taking care of the wounded.

g. Jungle Kits for all Marines and weekly inspection by Unit Commanders to be sure maintenance of enclosed Medical Supplies is kept up. *gol*

3. BATTLE CASUALTIES

a. All these types were treated at A Co., 3rd Medical Battalion.

4. NON-BATTLE CASUALTIES

b. Two cases only for the month of November were reported.

5. PREVENTIVE MEDICINE

a. Twenty-Four rats have been killed this month. Trapping and the extermination process is being utilized here. *gol*

b. Sanitation of the Battalion was satisfactory for the month.

6. CIVIL AFFAIRS MEDICAL SUPPORT RENDERED

a. The Number of Patients treated this month were: 3,557.

b. The amount of Medicine (by type) dispensed is reported on Appendix one to this Chronology. *gol*

c. Schooling is conducted in Gai Le Dispensary by a Doctor and Corpsman, and in other Villages by the CAC Corpsmen.

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a. We are still having problems pertaining to the Record Office and are listed as follows:

(1) Receiving Navy and Marine Personnel without Health and/or Dental Records.

(2) Receiving Navy Personnel without SRB's and Pay Records.

(3) Patients are being evacuated without records from the admitting facility.

(4) Still without typewriter (being repaired) that is checked out to us from Battalion Supply.

b. We have been without an ambulance for approximately 3 Months due to lack of spare parts. This has had a definite effect on the MedCAP and general medical aid to the Battalion.

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1. Gantrisin	Bt. 5
2. Gantrisin oral Suspension	Bt. 10
3. Sulfadiazine	Bt. 1
4. Tetracycline	Bt. 20
5. Vigran Multi Vitamins	Bt. 200
6. Trisulfapyrimidine oral Suspension	Bt. 24
7. Chlortrimeton	Bt. 8
8. Tedral	Bt. $\frac{1}{2}$
9. Sodium Bicarbonate	Bt. 8
10. Sodium Salicylate	Bt. 12
11. Hydrogen peroxide	Bt. 19
12. Thimerosal Tincture	Bt. 2
13. Erythromycin	Bt. 3
14. Erythromycin oral suspension	Bt. 50
15. Oxytetracycline oral suspension	Bt. 72
16. Deficiency tablest	Cn. 10
17. Diarrhea tablets	Cn. 13
18. Piperazine tablets	Cn. 16
19. Piperazine oral suspension	Bt. 50
20. Carbamine	Bx. 60
21. Brown Mixture	Cn. 10
22. Cold tablets	Bt. 4
23. ASA	Bt. 24
24. Furacin soluble	Jr. 4
25. Gamma Benzene Hexachloride ointment	Tu. 1
26. Hydrocortisone ointment	Tu. 72
27. Cortisporin suspension, Otic	Pg. 24

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28. Undecylenic acid ointment	Tu. 12
29. Dibucaine ointment	Tu. 2
30. 4x4's	Pg. 30
31. 2x2's	Pg. 30
32. Band-aids	Bx. 24
33. Bandage, Gauze, Roller, 4"	Ea. 20
34. Bandage, Gauze, Roller, 2"	Ea. 60
35. Tongue Blades	Bx. 8
36. Cotton tip applicators	Pg. 3
37. Magnesium Sulfate	Cn. 2
38. Eugenol	Bt. 1
39. Benzalkonium Chloride tincture	Pg. 24
40. Procaine Penicillin	Bt. 200
41. Hypo Needles, 20 and 21 Gauge	Ea. 200
42. Bottles, 2 oz	Bx. 5
43. Tape	Ea. 10
44. Soap	Ck. 1,720

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Chaplain Support (Chaplain)

1. Name of Chaplain (s)
 - a. LT Leroy E. Muenzler, CHC, USN
 - b. LT Paul E. Roswog, CHC, USNR
2. Number of services conducted by type, and number of personnel attending.
 - a. Protestant services/attendance. Catholic/attendance.
 Total 51 Total 252 Total 33 Total 390

The above totals represent regular Sunday services and masses as well as services and masses held in surrounding villages. Thanksgiving and memorial services are also represented in the totals also.

3. Number of personnel receiving counselling.
 - a. Total for Protestant Chaplain/ 85 individuals.
 - b. Total for Catholic Chaplain/ 30 individuals.
4. Significant activities.
 - a. A Chapel for the 3rd Battalion, 4th Marines CP area was approved for construction and is scheduled for completion and 2 December 1965. ⁰⁸ ⁰⁸⁵
 - b. The Catholic Chaplain participated with 4th Battalion, 12 Marines civil affairs program.
 - c. Funds were donated by the Catholic Chaplain the total of which is 10,000 piasters to the Buddhist Orphanage and also two (2) electric floor fans were donated to provide circulation in the kitchen and eating areas of the Tay Loc Buddhist Orphanage. Total value for the fans amounted to 10,000 piasters. Total of 20000 piasters in total were donated to the Orphanage.
5. Facilities.

Services and masses are held at the temporary chapel at the 3rd Battalion CP and at 4th Battalion 12th Marines, Hum 161 and "A" Co. 3rd Medical Bn., services and masses are held in enlisted mens clubs and theater.

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1. During this period, the civil affairs program continued as in the past. The Battalion Medical Team visited the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu, Loc Ben and Gia Le once each week. The medical team treated an average of ninety-three (93) persons per visit. Food-stuffs, toys, clothes, soap and candy were distributed throughout the above named villages. The Catholic Chaplain said Mass twice a month in the Villages of Thuy Phu, Loc Ben, Thuy Luong and Thuy Tan with a total attendance of 178 people.
2. Thirty-one (31) persons were medically evacuated to hospital facilities.
3. Two (2) foreign claims were processed and forwarded while one (1) claim is still pending.
4. Marine Corps Birthday celebrations were held in the Village of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu and Loc Ben. The Village Chief, Village Council and PFs attended the festivities in their respective villages.
5. Thanksgiving Dinners were held in the Villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu and Loc Ben on Thanksgiving Day. The Village Chief, Village Council and PFs attended the dinners in their respective villages.
6. The Civilian Military Advisory Council held its monthly meeting on 3 November. Village defense, betterment of villages, training of PFs and timely reporting of intelligence were discussed.

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Combined Action Company

1. The CAC continued to conduct counterinsurgency operations in the four villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu and Loc Bon. Civic Action was conducted each day which involved minor road repairs, drainage repairs and bridge support. Medical assistance was rendered each day by the platoon corpsman who treated an average of twenty-two (22) patients in Thuy Luong, eleven (11) patients in Thuy Tan, twelve (12) patients in Thuy Phu and eight (8) patients in Loc Bon per day.

2. During normal operations, the CAC platoons remained in their respective villages six (6) days per week and averaged eighteen (18) operations per week. The following special operations were conducted:

a. Three platoons conducted a sweep and clear operation in the Hamlet of Hoa Phung from (913163) to (916162) on 19 November. Six (6) VCS were apprehended.

b. On 29 November, CAC #3 encountered a platoon of VC in the Village of Thuy Phu. The results were. one (1) friendly KIA, three (3) friendly WIAs, four (4) VC KIAs, one (1) VC WIA, two (2) weapons captured and evidence which indicated four (4) other VC casualties.

3. Through the activities of the CAC, the villages of Thuy Luong, Thuy Tan, Thuy Phu and Loc Bon remain pro-RVN and ^{HAVE} successfully denied their use ^{to} the VC overtly and have curtailed any covert activities.

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