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To: Commandant of the Marine Corps (Code AO3D)

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HEADQUARTERS
 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF
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 To: Commandant of the Marine Corps, Code (A03D)
 Via: Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific

Subj: Command Chronology (Report Symbol MC-5750-6)

Ref: (a) MCO 5750.2

Encl: (1) Command Chronology, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade
 (2) Command Chronology, Regimental Landing Team 5, Mar - 27 May 66
 (3) Command Chronology, Marine Aircraft Group 13, 15 Apr - May 66, June
 (4) Command Chronology, Battalion Landing Team 3/5, 6 - 13 May 66
 (5) Command Chronology, Provisional Service Battalion, Jan 66
 (6) Command Chronology, Headquarters Company, 9th
 Marine Amphibious Brigade, 1 Mar - 30 June 66

1. The Command Chronology of the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade is hereby submitted for the period 1 March - 30 June 1966, in accordance with reference (a).

Herman Hansen Jr.
 HERMAN HANSEN, Jr.
 Chief of Staff

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY, 9TH MARINE AMPHIBIOUS BRIGADE1. Introduction

a. This is the first semiannual Command Chronology submitted by the 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade in accordance with reference (a). The purpose is to provide a concise chronology of the significant happenings within the Brigade from its inception on 1 March 1966 through the end of fiscal year 1966.

b. Command Chronologies of subordinate units are enclosed and cover either the entire reporting period or that portion in which the unit was attached to the Brigade. The Command Chronology of the Special Landing Force is submitted separately to the Commandant of the Marine Corps, in accordance with reference (a).

2. Organizational Data

a. Location. Camp Courtney, Okinawa (1 Mar - 12 June 1966)
Camp Hansen, Okinawa (13 Jun - 30 June 1966)

b. Period Covered. 1 March 1966 through 30 June 1966.

c. Command and Staff Officers

CG	BGen M. P. RYAN
CofS	Col H. HANSEN Jr.
ACofS, G-1	LtCol J. M. CUMMINGS
ACofS, G-2	Maj G. J. KLEESS
ACofS, G-3	Col A. L. EMILS
ACofS, G-4	Col O. B. JOHNSTON
CommO	Maj A. E. JENSEN
Chaplain	Cdr H. H. EATON
CO, MAG-13	Col E. A. HARPER
CO, RLT-5	Col C. F. WIDDECKE
CO, BLT 3/5	LtCol E. J. BRONARS
CO, ProvServBn	MAJ M. A. WILLIS
CO, HqCo, 9th MAB	Maj J. J. WEBB Jr.

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Enclosure (1)

3. Commanders Narrative Summary

a. Organization

(1) The 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade was activated at Camp Courtney, Okinawa on 1 March 1966, with Col Herman Hansen Jr. commanding. BGen William A. Stiles assumed command of the Brigade on 30 March, and was subsequently relieved on 15 April by BGen Michael P. RYAN.

(2) The Brigade, upon activation, was composed of Headquarters and the Headquarters Company. On 30 March the command joined Regimental Landing Team 5, Battalion Landing Team 2/5 and Sub Unit Two, H&S Company, 1st Service Battalion. The Provisional Service Battalion, 9th MAB was activated on 4 April.

(3) Rotation of units commenced when BLT 2/5 embarked aboard assigned shipping on 8 April and departed for Vietnam.

(4) Battalion Landing Team 3/5 was placed under command of the Brigade on 6 May. Training was quickly completed and on 11 May BLT 3/5 embarked as the Special Landing Force BLT.

(5) Regimental Landing Team 5 was the next unit to rotate. On 22 May the RLT embarked aboard shipping and departed for Vietnam, arriving at Chu Lai on 27 May.

(6) The Brigade received its air unit, Marine Aircraft Group 13 (Rein), on 15 April. MAG-13, located at Iwakuni, Japan also has one VMGR squadron and a helicopter squadron stationed at Futema, Okinawa. The Air Group rotated VMA-214 to Chu Lai and received VMA-224 on 2 May.

(7) The first helicopter squadron rotation from Okinawa occurred during 24-28 May, when HMM-361 departed for Chu Lai and HMM-263 arrived at Futema.

(8) On 21 May, in response to a requirement for augmentation of the air defense in Taiwan, VMFA-323 deployed from Iwakuni to Tainan Air Base. The squadron accomplished the movement expeditiously and maintained Air Defense Alert until relieved on station by VMFA-314 on 24 June. VMFA-314 later terminated the air defense augmentation and returned to Iwakuni. Both squadrons subsequently rotated to Vietnam.

(9) During this reporting period the Special Landing Force (SLF), composed of one BLT and one helicopter squadron participated in two amphibious landing exercises, Hilltop IV and V, in the Philippines. The SLF conducted combat operations Jackstay, Osage, and Deckhouse One in Vietnam, and also joined with the 1st Cavalry Division for Operation Nathan Hale.

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(10) Both helicopter squadrons and BLT's were rotated between the Special Landing Force and Vietnam. On 8 April HMM-364 rotated to Chu Lai and HMM-362 to the SLF. During 6-7 May BLT 1/5 offloaded at Chu Lai and the SLF then proceeded to Okinawa to embark BLT 3/5.

b. Personnel

(1) Strengths

	USMC		USN	
	OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
15 Mar 1966	326	141	0	0
15 Apr 1966	521	6589	59	252
15 May 1966	521	5114	49	257
15 Jun 1966	440	4320	18	119

(2) The first month of the Brigade's existence was characterized by the formation of the Brigade Staff. The officers and enlisted personnel of the Brigade Staff were formed primarily from the CTF-79 cadre Staff, Headquarters, 1st Field Artillery Group, and selected personnel from East-Pac, MidPac and 1st Marine Division. All principal staff members had reported by 25 March 1966. Of particular note has been the shortage of field grade officers. Throughout the period covered by the report, the Brigade Headquarters has averaged from 14 to 17 field grade officers below authorized strength.

(3) An individual rotation system was proposed and approved which will permit a split tour between Okinawa/Japan and RVN for personnel in nonrotating units. This assists in the dilution of overseas control dates and provides a morale lift to the personnel to serve in-country.

c. Administration. The early part of the period was utilized primarily for the publication of directives necessary for the Brigade's operation. As a newly activated unit, the directives and publications initially available were extremely limited. The Headquarters was in a large degree dependent on CG FMFPAC/IMAC(FWD) and Camp Butler files until allowances of directives were received from CMC and CG FMFPac.

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(1) In an effort to purify the personnel accounting system, during May this Headquarters conducted a special audit of information maintained in the system. Reporting units audited personnel plates. This Headquarters and DPI-27 compared personnel rosters with information contained in the system. Corrections were made as required. This produced a very low data deficiency index for the command. Rotating units however, necessitate such audits be conducted on a continuing basis.

(2) During April this Headquarters assumed casualty reporting responsibility for the Special Landing Force and published a Casualty Reporting SOP which has proved a prompt and accurate means of recording and reporting casualties.

d. Intelligence

(1) Intelligence effort during the early part of the period was concerned with forming the section and procurement of basic intelligence material from higher headquarters.

(2) The Intelligence annexes to Operation Plans under review by 9th MAB were rewritten and updated.

e. Logistics

(1) During a provisional period when the 9th MAB was initially formed Capt John LOCKIE was assigned the duties of ACofS, G-4. On March 8 he was relieved by LtCol J. M. LANDRIGAN, who in turn was relieved by the present ACofS G-4, Col O. B. JOHNSTON.

(2) Other than internal personnel assignment and orientation, the first coordinating project of the G-4 Section involved the Logistic aspects of the deployment of BLT-2/5.

(3) LtCol SHARON was the first Brigade representative at the FMFPac Logistics Conference held 13-14 April 1966. Col JOHNSTON and Major FRISBIE (Supply Officer) attended the May conference.

(4) Coordination by this office and VMGR-152 with FMFPac/IMAC(Fwd) established recommended procedures for operation of WestPac Air Freight and Passenger Terminals, and also recommended that responsibilities for operation be assigned to VMGR-152.

(5) Logistic annexes for both the 104 and 201 contingency plans have been completed.

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f. Ordnance

(1) During this period elements of RLT-5 were deployed as augmenting units to RVN.

(2) COMUSMACV requires 30 days of ammunition for all augmenting units. A full 30 days supply did not fit on the shipping and the ammunition dumps in-country could not receive a full 30 days of ammunition for these units due to storage problems. In view of the above it was recommended and approved that the augmenting units of RLT-5 deploy with 15 days of ammunition and complete their 30 day requirement through requisitions. It was also found that the LFORM aboard the SLF shipping should be utilized as mount-out stocks for the initial entry of the BLT in-country. The load time necessary to procure shipping to send mount-out stocks from Okinawa, as well as the dump conditions in-country, make it more efficient to off-load the LFORM with the deploying BLT and reconstitute this LFORM upon the embarkation of a new BLT. The augmenting BLT then submits requirements to the First Marine Division for in-country support.

(3) A shortage of training ammunition may create a problem in the future. BLT-3/5 required ammunition well in excess of the amount allotted by MCO P8011.4B, due to a low experience level of the personnel. This may be a recurring problem in the rotational BLT program. Usage data at this time is inadequate to produce firm planning factors and further study will be required concerning the training ammunition allowance.

(4) The supply of Class VA training ammunition has been limited and this has restricted the amount of training available to pilots of MAG-13. All of MAG-13 training ammunition is positioned on Okinawa for use by squadrons deployed to Naha.

(5) Elements of BLT-3/5 and Recon Platoons, Provisional Service Battalion received instruction and familiarization firing of the AR-15 Rifle.

g. Supply

(1) LtCol D. W. SHARON became the Brigade Supply Officer on 29 March 1966. During the month of May, LtCol SHARON was replaced as Supply Officer of the Brigade by Maj H. R. FRISBIE. LtCol SHARON received orders to the Third Marine Division.

(2) On 30 April a Supply Maintenance conference was held at 9th MAB Headquarters to establish liaison on both supply and fiscal problems pertaining to the overall maintenance requirements for aviation units. Representatives from MAG-13 attended.

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(3) Supply inspections were held on units rotating from Okinawa, as well as HqCo, 9th MAB and all were reported in satisfactory condition.

(4) Earmarked Brigade mount-out requirements (Class I and III) were submitted.

(5) CG, 9th MAB was given authority by CG FMFPac to designate items for the RED BALL system.

(6) Duplicating equipment was not received, and this caused a major problem in reproduction.

(7) SOPs for the RED BALL system, tracer system and disposition of personal effects and baggage were staffed and approved.

(8) GAO personnel visited 9th MAB units (2dBn, 11th Marines) on 6 April. Representatives were Mr. MARING and Mr. WICKMAN.

(9) MACS-6 was given authority, by CG FMFPac message to 3d FSR, to requisition items deadlining low density Marine Corps peculiar equipment.

h. Motor Transport

(1) Motor Transport maintenance and supply problems were discussed and resolved during a 4 day Staff Visit to MAG-13 by the Brigade MTO. Discussion topics included the fourth echelon maintenance capability of MAG-13 (MABS-13); the shortage of 4th echelon tools and equipment; shortages of section "M" equipment; and the consolidation of maintenance and motor transport supply functions under MABS-13 units based at Iwakuni.

i. Embarkation

(1) During the period the Embarkation Section coordinated the loading/offloading of the following units:

Debarkation of elements of 3d AmtracBn and 1st Shore Party Bn

Embarkation of elements of BLT-3/5 to Japan for
FFEX

Embarkation of BLT-2/5 to Vietnam

Embarkation of BLT-3/5 aboard SLF shipping

Embarkation of Hq, RLT-5 to Vietnam

(2) The only docking facility generally available for amphibious shipping is Tengan Pier. This pier can accommodate one APA or AKA, as only one side of the pier is dredged at present. It cannot be approached during periods of high winds or heavy surf. All other shipping is loaded/offloaded in the stream at White Beach, or at ramps at Naha port in the case of LSTs. Because of the limited pier space and lighterage, the concurrent deployment of more than one BLT is not feasible.

j. Medical. The 9th MAB Medical Section came into being on 3 April 1966 when one HMI and one HM2 reported for duty. A medical Administrative Chief and Medical Administrative Officer reported for duty shortly after. Staff visits were made to MAG-13 by the acting Brigade Surgeon and Admin Chief, and to MAG-13 and MCAS, Iwakuni by the Medical Admin Officer. No major problems were encountered.

k. Communications

(1) The Communication-Electronics Office has conducted normal routine communication business during the period 1 Mar-30 June 66. The CEO office has conducted three inspections as part of the Brigade Inspection Program. Inspections of BLT-3/5 on 25 April and Headquarters Company, 5th Marines on 5 May were conducted to ensure their preparedness for embarkation and deployment. The Provisional Communication Platoon, Headquarters Company, 9th MAB received a routine inspection on 25 May. From 1-10 June the Assistant CEO was TAD to the SLF as a communications observer for the Hilltop V Exercise. Liaison was also effected while enroute to the SLF with CTF-76 and III MAF Communications Representatives on contingency plan frequency matters.

(2) During the period 1 Mar - 10 Jun the 9th MAB operated a message center at Camp Courtney.

(3) Mr F. D. ROBBINS, NAVSHIPREPFAC, Yokosuka, made a "TEMPEST" survey of communication center facilities at Camp Hansen and Camp Schwab on 23 May.

(4) The 9th MAB Communication Center at Camp Hansen was activated on 11 June. A full duplex ORESTES Secret on-line circuit was established between the Camp Butler Communication Center at Camp Courtney and the 9th MAB Communication Center at Camp Hansen.

(5) The Provisional Communication Platoon, HqCo, 9th MAB was activated 1 April 1966, in accordance with FMFPac message 190341Z March 1966, to provide, on an interim basis, an operational communication capability for the MAB Headquarters in event of a contingency deployment. A provisional T/O and T/E were provided by CG FMFPac. Personnel for the platoon were ordered TAD from other FMFPac WestPac units on Okinawa (5th Marines and Third FSR). Equipment for the T/E was provided from 1st FAG assets. Shortages were reported

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to CG FMFPAC. CG FMFPAC msg 010230Z Jun 66 acknowledged remaining equipment shortages and advised that CommSptCo, 9th Comm Bn would provide relief upon arrival during August 1966.

(a) The primary mission of the Prov Comm Plt during this period has been to operate the 9th MAB Communication Center and to conduct normal internal communication training.

(b) The Prov Comm Plt activated covered teletype circuits for test on request by NAVCOMMSTA PHIL on 27 April and NAVCOMMSTA Japan on 12 May. An uncovered teletype circuit was activated for test with NAVCOMMSTA Guam on 19 May.

(c) During 10-16 May the Prov Comm Plt provided Okinawa Communication Guard for the CG, FMFPAC visit.

(d) Twenty-five men from the Prov Comm Plt attended the LFTUPAC Waterproofing School on vehicular and man pack communication equipment on 13 May.

(6) Additional item of interest: MSgt D. M. ONDRAK, 9th MAB Comm Chief, was promoted to Second Lieutenant on 27 May 1966 and reassigned to a 2502 billet in the Prov Comm Plt, HqCo 9th MAB.

1. Training

(1) During this period the following schools were utilized by Brigade personnel as appropriate:

- Counter guerrilla Warfare
- Demolition and Landmine Warfare
- Projectionist
- NCO Leadership
- Vietnamese Language
- Basic Infantry Weapons

(2) Marine Aircraft Group 13 also utilized Air Force Schools in Japan and the Philippines.

(3) Weekly training schedules, to include GMST and Technical Training, were carried out by MAG-13, RLT-5 and each BLT, using training areas and ranges on Okinawa and Japan. Five Command Post Exercises were held by RLT-5.

(4) During April BLT 3/5 sent two companies to the Fuji McNair training area for a two week period.

(5) BLT 2/5 held a LEX at Kin Blue Beach on 7-8 April, prior to deployment to Vietnam.

(6) Each BLT with the Special Landing Force participated in a PHIBEX at San Jose, Mindoro.

m. Nuclear, Biological and Chemical or other Special Types of Warfare. None.

n. Close Combat. Special Landing Force

o. Fire Support. Special Landing Force

p. Air Defense. None

q. Special Operations. Special Landing Force

r. Combat Close Air Support. Provided by carrier aircraft in support of Special Landing Force Operations.

s. Civil Affairs. Special Landing Force

t. Civic Action/Community Relations. Special Landing Force

4. Chronology of Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Events</u>
1 March 1966	Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade activated at Camp Courtney, Okinawa. <u>1/</u>
15-17 March 1966	Special Landing Force, Exercise HILLTOP IV. <u>2/</u>
26 Mar - 6 Apr 1966	Special Landing Force conducted Operation JACKSTAY. <u>3/</u>
30 March 1966	CG, 9th MAB assumed command of RLT-5 and BLT 2/5. <u>4/</u>
4 April 1966	Provisional Service Battalion, 9th MAB activated. <u>5/</u>
8 April 1966	BLT 2/5 chop OPCON to CTF-79 with further chop to CG III MAF and to CG 1st MARDIV. <u>6/</u>
15 April 1966	CG 9th MAB assumed command of Marine Aircraft Group-13 (Rein). <u>7/</u>
27 April 1966 - 2 May 1966	Special Landing Force conducted operation OSAGE. <u>8/</u>
6 May 1966	CG 9th MAB assumed command of BLT 3/5. BLT 3/5 to chop OPCON to CTF-79.5 upon embarkation. <u>9/</u>
21 May 1966	VMFA-323 deployed from Iwakuni to Tainan AB, Taiwan. <u>10/</u>

Footnotes:

- 1/ CG FMFPAC/IMAC (FWD) 281501ZFeb66
- 2/ CTG-79.5 msg 020746ZMar66
- 3/ SLF Command Chronology (Submitted separately)
- 4/ CG 1st MARDIV (REIN) msg 220741ZMar; CG 9th MAB msg 290621ZMar66
- 5/ CG 9th MAB msg 040852ZApr66
- 6/ BLT 2/5 msg 081101ZApr; BLT 2/5 msg 131440ZApr; CG III MAF msg 140100ZApr66
- 7/ CG FMFPAC msg 130550ZApr66
- 8/ SLF Command Chronology (submitted separately)
- 9/ CG 9th MAB 050932ZMay66
- 10/ CTF-79 210648ZMay; MARFITATKRON 323 msg 210552ZMay66

22 May 1966 Operational Control RLT-5 passed from CG 9th MAB to CTF-79. 11/
 24-28 May 1966 HMM-361 rotated to CHU LAI. HMM-263 rotated to Futema. 12/
 25-27 May 1966 Special Landing Force, Exercise HILLTOP V. 13/
 27 May 1966 Operational control RLT-5 passed from CTF-79 to CG III MAF and then CG 1st MARDIV assumed operational and administrative control. 14/
 13 June 1966 9th MAB Command Post shifted from Camp Courtney to Camp Hansen. 15/
 18-27 June 1966 Special Landing Force conducted operation DECKHOUSE ONE. 16/
 24 June 1966 VMFA-314 deployed to Tainan AB, Taiwan. VMFA-323 returned to Iwakuni. 17/
 27-30 June 1966 Special Landing Force under OPCON CG, 1st Cavalry Division for Operation NATHAN HALE. 18/

Footnotes:

- 11/ CG 9th MAB msg 210020ZMay66; RLT-5 Chronology (Encl 3)
12/ CG 9th MAB msg 070506ZMay66
13/ CINCPACFLT msg 070409ZMay66
14/ CG, 9th MAB msg 210020ZMAY66; CG 1st MARDIV msg 310840Z May66
15/ CG, 9th MAB msg 122329ZJun66
16/ SLF Command Chronology (Submitted separately); COMSEVENTH-FLT msg 270032ZJun66
17/ MAG-13 Chronology (Encl 2)
18/ COMSEVENTHFLT 270032ZJun66

LIST OF REFERENCES

1. See footnotes included in enclosure (1).

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DOCUMENTATION

1. The following documents are submitted in support of enclosure (1).

Tab 1: ✓ CG FMFPAC/IMAC (FWD) msg 281501Z Feb 66

Tab 2: ✓ CTG-79 msg 220741Z Mar 66

Tab 3: ✓ CG 1st MARDIV msg 220741Z Mar 66

Tab 4: ✓ CG 9th MAB msg 290621Z Mar 66

Tab 5: ✓ CG 9th MAB msg 040852Z Apr 66

Tab 6: ✓ BLT 2/5 msg 081101Z Apr 66

Tab 7: ✓ CG III MAF msg 140100Z Apr 66

Tab 8: ✓ BLT 2/5 msg 131440Z Apr 66

Tab 9: ✓ CG FMFPAC msg 130550Z Apr 66

Tab 10: ✓ CG 9th MAB msg 050932Z May 66

Tab 11: ✓ CTF 79 msg 210648Z May 66

Tab 12: ✓ VMFA 323 msg 210552Z May 66

Tab 13: ✓ CG 9th MAB msg 210020Z May 66

Tab 14: ✓ CG 9th MAB msg 070506Z May 66

Tab 15: ✓ CINCPACFLT msg 070409Z May 66

Tab 16: ✓ CG 1st MARDIV msg 310840Z May 66

Tab 17: ✓ CG 9th MAB msg 122329Z Jun 66

Tab 18: ✓ COMSEVENTHFLT msg 270032Z June 66

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY
Provisional Service Battalion
1 June 1966 to 30 June 1966

Provisional Service Bn, 9th MA B

June 66

Enclosure (5)

HEADQUARTERS
Provisional Service Battalion
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade FMF
APO San Francisco, California 96602

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1 Jul 1966

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF

Subj: Command Chronology

Ref: (a) CG 9thMAB msg 180436Z May66

Encl: (1) Command Chronology

1. Enclosure (1) is submitted as required by reference (a).



M. A. WILLIS

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1 Jul 1966PROVISIONAL SERVICE BATTALION COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

Location: Camp Hansen, Okinawa

Period: 1 June 1966 to 30 June 1966

Personnel:

Commanding Officer	Maj M. A. WILLIS	
Executive Officer	VACANT	
Adjutant	CWO3 R. W. CONDON	
S-2/3	MGySgt J. F. MEYERS	
S-4	1stLT N. D. LOVE	to 16 June 66
	GYSGT R. D. HORNSBY	17 June 66 -----
Battalion Sergeant Major	MGySgt C. E. CORYELL	

Average Monthly Strength: 5 USMC Officers
97 USMC Enlisted
1 USN Enlisted

NARRATIVE SUMMARY AND CHRONOLOGY OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

During this period, the Battalion remained in a cadre status with the 1st and 5th Platoons of the 3rd Force Reconnaissance Company attached. The Air Delivery Platoon continued to train by conducting both cargo and personnel drops through out the month. The Detachment of 3rd Force Reconnaissance Company conducted extensive training in the Northern Training Area. A variety of weapons were fired including the AR-15 rifle. In addition all members conducted at least one parachute jump from helicopters.

On 26 June the 5th Platoon with Staff Sergeant G. B. HOPKINS Jr. as Platoon Leader was detached from the Battalion for duty in a restricted area.

Enclosure (1)

HEADQUARTERS COMPANY
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF
1 March - 30 June 1966

Hq Co, 9th MAB

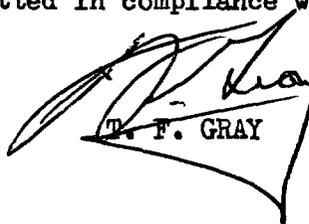
1 Mar - 30 Jun 66

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HEADQUARTERS COMPANY
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF
FPO San Francisco 96602

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18 July 1966

From: Commanding Officer
To: Commanding General, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade, FMF
Subj: Command Chronology
Ref: (a) BrigO 5750.1
Encl: (1) HqCo, 9thMAB, FMF Command Chronology period 1March-30Jun66
1. Enclosure (1) is submitted in compliance with reference (a).


T. F. GRAY

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

I. Organization: Headquarters Company, 9th MAB, FMF

II. Location: Camp Hansen, Okinawa

III. Period Covered: 1 March-30 June 1966

IV. Commanding Officer: Thomas F. GRAY, Major USMC

V. Activation:

1. 1 March 1966 - Headquarters Company, 9th MAB, FMF activated in accordance with authority contained in reference (a).

VI. Command:

1. 1 March 1966 Captain Thomas G. BEERS 069151 USMC assumed command HqCo, 9thMAB, FMF

2. 17 March 1966 Major Hiram B. CROSBY 053920 USMC assumed command HqCo, 9thMAB, FMF

3. 19 May 1966 Major John H. WEBB Jr. 065690 USMC assumed command HqCo, 9thMAB, FMF

4. 1 July 1966 Major Thomas F. GRAY 056711 USMC assumed command, HqCo, 9thMAB, FMF

VII. Attached Units:

1. 1 April 1966 - Provisional Communications Platoon attached TAD from Communications Company, H&SBn, 3dFSSR Marine Officers 3; Marine Enlisted, 46.

2. 20 March 1966 - 1st Counter - Intelligence Team, joined not chargeable from HqCo, HqBn, 1stMarDiv (Rein); Marine Officers 2; Marine Enlisted 8.

VIII. Detachments:

1. Task Group 79.5 - Marine Officers 9; Marine Enlisted 17.

IX. Relocation:

1. On 6 June 1966, Headquarters Company relocated from Camp Courtney, Okinawa, to Camp Hansen, Okinawa.

X. Inspections:

1. During the period 23-26May 1966, a General Inspection of all sections was conducted by the Brigade Inspectors Staff. The results of the Inspection was satisfactory with discrepancies. Corrective action was taken to correct all discrepancies.

REFERENCES

- a. ADMINO FMFPAC msg 250148Z Feb66

Appendix A

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New Folder
~~9th MAB~~
9th MAB

FM 210701
FM RUMLEP RUEGEM RUMLEP RUMINW RUMDFM RUAUDE RUEBSR RUWSPG
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ZNY CCGCC
P 021901Z ZFB

FEB 1966

FM CG FMFPAC (FWD)
TO RUMLEPACG FMFPAC
INFO RUEGEMACG
RUMNFPAC III MAF
ZEN/CG FIRST MARDIV
RUMNFPACG THIRD MARDIV
RUMNAP/CG FIRST MAF
RUMDFM/CG MARCORBASE CAMPEN
ZEN/CTF SEVEN NINE
ZEN/CAMP BUTLER OKINAWA
RUAUDE/FIRST MAF (REAR)
RUEBSR/THIRD FSR
RUWSPG/MARBKS NAVSTA SFRAN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L
ACTIVATION OF PROVISIONAL HQ AND HQCO NINTH MAB
1. ADHI O FMFPAC 25014Z (NOTAL)
2. CG FMFPAC LTR 3P/CUM/OLB SER 00020166 OF 21FEB66 (NOTAL)
3. IAW AUTHORITY OF REF A THE PROVISIONAL HQ AND HQCO NINTH
MAB FMFPAC NCC 159 RUC 21054 ACTIVATED EFFECTIVE 1 MARCH 1966.
REF B REFERS.
2. COL H HANSEN 06389/9907 USMC IS DESIGNATED CO NINTH MAB
(PROV) FMFPAC.
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P 020746Z MARCH 66

FROM: CG SEVEN NINE PT FIVE
TO: FIRST MAW (REAR)

INFO: CTF SEVEN NINE
CTC SEVEN SIX PT FIVE

CONFIDENTIAL

AIR SERVICES FOR HILLTOP IV

A. YOUR 270221Z FEB

1. HILLTOP IV NOW SCHEDULED AT SAN JOSE 15-17 MAR. CASEX FOR HILLTOP IV

SCHEDULED AT TABONES FOR 12 MAR. REF (A) INDICATED VMA-214 AIRCRAFT

FOR HILLTOP IV SUPPORT ARRIVE CUBI 15 MAR.

2. REQUEST FEASIBILITY OF EARLY DEPLOYMENT TO ENABLE AIRCRAFT TO

PARTICIPATE IN CASEX.

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Tab 2

P 220741Z MARCH

FROM: CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
TO: RLT FIVE

INFO: CG FMFPAC
CG FMFPAC/TEAC (FWD)
CTF SEVEN NINE
NINTH MAB
CG III MAF
COMSLVENTHFLT
CTF SEVEN SIX
CG THIRD MARDIV

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COMMAND RLT FIVE

- A. CG FMFPAC 149993Z (TOTAL)
 - B. MWIP 19-1A SUP
 - C. FMFPACO P003000.5 M/CH 1, CH 2, CH 3
1. IAW REF A OPCOM/ADCOM RLT FIVE SHIFT TO NINTH MAB EFFECTIVE
3001011
 2. SUBMIT APPROPRIATE MOVSEPS AND REDOPS REPORTS IAW REF B
AND C TO NINTH MAB FOR RELEASE.

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P. 290621Z MAR66

FROM: CG NINTH MAB

TO: RLT FIVE

INFO: CG FMFPAC

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A. CG FIRST MARDIV REIN20741 MAR

B. NWIP TEN-1 ALPHA SUP

C. FMFPAC ORDER P003000. CHANGE ONE, TWO AND THREE

D. REF A REFERS EFFECTIVE 300101Z MAR CHOP TO NINTH MAB

OPCON/ADCON BLT TWO SLANT FIVE AND SUB UNIT TWO H&S CO FIRST

C TO THIS HEADQUARTERS FOR RELEASE.

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VV QLA069
RUHLBP RUECEM RUMSMF RUABSR
RUABQL 094A 0940852
NY SSSSS
P 040852Z
FM CG NINTH MAB
TO ZEN/SUB UNIT TWO H&S CG FIRST SERV BN
INFO RUHLBP/CG FMNPAC
ZEN/CG FMFPAC/I MAC FWD
RUECEM/CMC
RUMSMF/CG FIRST MARDIV
RUABSR /THIRD FSR
ZEN/CTF SEVEN NINE
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ACTIVATION PROV SERV BN NINTH MAB

- A. CG FMNPAC 010037Z (PASEP) *APR*
 - B. CG FMFPAC 250029Z (PASEP) *MAR*
 - C. CG FMNPAC/I MAC (FWD) LTR 7/INL 3400 OF 9MAR 66 (NOTAL)
 - D. MARCORPERSMAN PARA 16054. 12
 - E. FMNPAC 07000.2A
 - F. FMNPAC 000000.5
 - G. CG NINTH MAB 040852Z *APR OR MAR*
1. REF A DIRECTED ACTIVATION OF THE PROV SERV BN NINTH MAB.
 2. REF B ISSUED ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTIONS FOR SHIFT OF

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3. REF C FORWARDED T/O AND T/E FOR LSG NINTH MAB.
 4. ACTION FOR SUB UNIT TWO H&S CG FIRST SERV BN.
 - A. ON DIARY PREPARED FOR 3APR 66 DEACTIVATE SUB UNIT TWO H&S CG FIRST SERV BN. TRANSFER ALL PERS TO PROV SERV BN NINTH MAB. CITE REF A AND THIS MSG AS AUTH.
 - B. ON 4APR 66 ACTIVATE PROV SERV BN NINTH MAB AND CREDIT INITIAL UD RUC 20155 IAW REF D. JO ALL PERS TRANS IN PAR 4A ABOVE PLUS AIR DELIVERY PERS IN PARA 5 REF A. CITE REF A AND THIS MSG AS AUTH.
 - C. PROV SERV BN NINTH MAB ASSIGNED RUC 20155, MOD 159.
 - D. ORGANIZE THE PROV SERV BN NINTH MAB IN ACCORDANCE WITH T/O AND T/E SHOWN REF B AND MODIFIED BY REF A.
 - E. UNIT CODE M2 ASSIGNED IAW REF E.
 - F. SUBMIT REDOPS REPORT IAW REF F.
 5. MAIL ROUTING GUIDE ENTRY FOR PROV SERV BN REQ BY REF G.
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PP RUABQ
DE RUMGUAH 195 0981140
ZNY SSSSS
P 081101Z
FM ELT TWO FIVE
TO RUABQ/CTF SEVEN NINE
INFO RUABQ/COMSEVENTHFLT
RUABQ/COMSUMACV
RUMPT/CG FMFPAC
RUABQ/CV 111 MAF
RUABQ/CG FIRST MARDIV
RUMFUV/CTF SEVEN SIXN
RUABQ/CG NINTH MAB
ZEN/CTG SEVEN SIX PT SIX

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A. CV NINTH MAB 310750Z MAR

1. LUW REF A ELT TWO FIVE CHMPS OPCON HQ CTF SEVEN NINE

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OO RUABQL
DE RUMSNF 5608 1000105
ZNY CCCCC

DE RUMSNF 401 1040102
ZNY CCCCC
RUMSNB-T-FLSB BRAVO
O 140100Z
FM CG III MAF
TO RUMSNB/CG FIRST MARDIV
ZEN/CG THIRD MARDIV
ZEN/FLC
RUMSNB/BLT TWO SLANT FIVE
INFO RUMSNB/COMUSMACV
RUABQL/CG NINTH MAB
RUMSNB/FLSB BRAVO
ZER/FIRST FORCE RECON CO
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C O N F I D E N T I A L

OPCON/ADCON BLT 2/5
1. EFFECTIVE 150000H BLT 2/5, LESS LOG SPT UNIT CHOPPED TO CG
1ST MARDIV, LOG SPT UNIT CHOPPED TO FLC.

2. FOR CG 1ST MARDIV:

a. CO B, 3D ANTRAC BN, PWF AND 2D LANDING SPT PLY (REEF), CO B1
1ST SP BN WILL BE CHOPPED TO CG 9TH MAB UPON EMBARKATION FOR
OKINAWA ABOUT 22 APR.

b. TRANSFER EYT, 5TH FLT, 1ST FORCE RECON CO TO 1ST FORCE RECON
CP, DANANG, AND DROP OPCON TO CG 3D MARDIV UPON ITS DEPARTURE
FROM CHU LAI.

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VVV LQAGBOVV SIA231

VV SNB042
OO RUABQL
DE RUMSNB 1170E 1031140
ZNY CCCCC
O 131140Z
FM BLT TWO SLANT FIVE
TO RUMSNF/CG III NAF
INFO RUMSMA/COMUSMACV
RUMLBP/CG FMFPAC (GG1)
RUABQL/CG FMFPAC/I MAC (FWD)
RUMGUL/CONSEVENTHFLT
RUMFUV/NWDE/CTF SEVEN SIX
RUABQL/CTF SEVEN NINE
RUABQL/CG NINTH NAB
RUMSNF/FLC
RUABSR/THIRD FSR

ADVANCE DIST
DUTY <u>MAC</u> AT <u>0730</u>
TO OFF <u>LTZ</u>
/S/ <u>NAR</u>
ACTION: <u>mouf</u>

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OPCON BLT TWO SLANT FIVE
1. CHOP OPCON TO CG III NAF EFFECTIVE 130800H.
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P R 130550Z
FM CG FMFPAG

TO GNO

CMC

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ASC PHILA

COMNAVAIRPAG

INFO CG III MAF (AGCS)

CG FMFPAG/1 MAG (FWD)

CG THIRD MAW

CG FIRST MAW (F012)

CG NINTH MAB

COMFAIRWESTPAG

BWFRRPAG

MAG ONE THREE

MCAS IWAKUNI

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DISESTABLISHMENT OF FIRST MAW (REAR) AND REASSIGNMENT MAG ONE THREE (U)

1. FOR ALL: EFFECTIVE 15APR66 MAG-15 OPCON/ADCON WILL TRANSFER FROM CG FIRST MAW TO CG NINTH MAB AND WILL BE ESTABLISHED AS MAG ONE THREE (REINF) WITH FOLLOWING UNITS ASSIGNED:

H&MS ONE THREE

VMGR ONE FIVE TWO

MABS ONE THREE

HMM THREE SIX ONE FUTEMA

VMA TWO ONE FOUR

HML THREE SIX FOUR SLF (LESS OPCON)

VMFA THREE TWO THREE

MAGS SIX

VMFA THREE ONE FOUR

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FIRST MAW (REAR) WILL BE DISESTABLISHED ON 15 APRIL.

2. APPROPRIATE CHANGES TO AIG LISTINGS ARE BEING REQUESTED BY SEPARATE MESSAGE.

3. FOR COMNAVAIRPAG A REQUEST ACTION BE INITIATED TO REFLECT ADJUSTMENT OF ACFT ALLOWANCES AS FOLLOWS:

1. DELETE TWO CH-19E ACFT FROM MABS-17 AND ADD TO H&MS MCAS IWAKUNI.

2. DELETE ONE G-54 FROM MABS-17 AND INCREASE H&MS-13 ALLOWANCE FROM TWO TO THREE.

3. FURTHER REQUEST THAT APPROPRIATE STANDARD DISTRIBUTION LIST BE REVISED TO REFLECT ABOVE REASSIGNMENTS AND DISESTABLISHMENT.

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VV QLA295
PP RUHLBP RUAUBUL RUMFUV RUMFUAC
DE RUABQL 1038 1250942
ZNY SSSSS
P 050932Z
FM CG NINTH MAB
TO ZEN/RLT FIVE
ZEN/BLT THREE SLANT FIVE
INFO RUHLBP/CG FMFPAC
RUAUBUL/NBWR/COMSEVENTHFLT
ZEN/CTF SEVEN NINE
RUMFUV/NWDB/CTF SEVEN SIX
FMFPAC/NHRM/CTG SEVEN NINE PT FIVE
FMFPAC/NHRM/CTG SEVEN SIX PT FIVE
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DEPLOYMENT ORDER FOR BLT THREE SLANT FIVE

- 4. FMFPACO 0001300.13 (TS)
- B. CG NINTH MAB 180629Z APR
- C. CG NINTH MAB 250507Z APR
- NUP 22A1/LFM 01
- E. FMFPACO P4600.1F
- F. FMFPACO P03000.5A

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- 1. BLT 3/5 WAS TASK ORGANIZED IAW REF A AND ACTIVATED FOR PLANNING AND OPERATIONS BY REF B AND C.
- 2. EFFECTIVE 061200I MAY RLT-5 CHOP BLT THREE FIVE TO 9TH MAB FOR

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PAGE TWO RUABQL 1033 S E C R E T

1. ON/ADCON. COMMAND POST REMAIN CAMP SCHWAB, TELEPHONE 6253.
 2. FOR BLT THREE FIVE: WHEN DIRECTED BY CTF-79 ENBARK IN ASSIGNED SHIPPING AT DESIGNATED EMBARKATION POINTS FOR DEPLOYMENT AS SLF/BLT. ASSIGNED SHIPPING CONSISTS OF USS PRINCETON, USS ALAMO, AND USS PECKAWAY. COMMAND POST WILL REMAIN CAMP SCHWAB UNTIL ENBARKED, THEREAFTER IN USS PRINCETON.

4. UPON EMBARKATION CHOP OPCON TO CTG-79.5, ADCON REMAINS 9TH MAB.

5. COMMAND RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN COMMANDING OFFICER OF ENBARKED TROOPS AND MOVEMENT GROUP COMMANDER IAW PARA 275,277 AND 278 REF D.

6. COMMAND AND CONTROL: A. SUBMIT NOVREPT IAW REF E.
 B. SUBMIT CPSTAT IAW REF F. ASAP

7. ADMIN INSTRUCTIONS:

A. MOVEMENT ORDERS TO BE ISSUED BY THIS HQ AS SEPARATE MATTER. PREPARE ORIGINAL ORDERS IAW MARCORPERMAN PAR 5155 FOR ALL MARINE AND NAVY PERS DESIRING SHIPMENT PERS EFFECTS/BAGGAGE TO STORAGE FACILITY.

B. PERSONNEL DEPLOYED MUST BE PHYSICALLY QUALIFIED: BE 18 YEARS OF AGE OR OLDER AT TIME OF DEPLOYMENT; BE QUALIFIED IN AT MIN ABOVE BASIC LEVEL; NOT HAVE BEEN TWICE WOUNDED IN VIETNAM IAW MCO 1300.21 AND MUST NOT BE SOLE SURVIVING SON WITHIN THE MEANING OF MCC

PAGE THREE RUABQL 1033 S E C R E T

1300.11D. REPORT NON-DEPLOYABLE PERS ASAP.

C. PERSONNEL ON EMER LV OR TAB WILL BE RETAINED ON ROLL UNLESS THEY ARE AMONG EXCESS DESCRIBED IN PAR 7D BELOW. PERS WILL BE PROVIDED TRANS TO 3/5 AS THEY BECOME AVAILABLE.

D. BLT 3/5 WILL DEPLOY AT BATTAL LEVEL, WHICH IS CONSIDERED TO BE APPROVED M/L FOR 3RD BN 5TH MAR AND OTHER REGULARLY ORGANIZED UNITS PLUS PERS PROVIDED AS DETACHMENTS IN THE TANK ORGANIZATION. RANK AND MOS SUBSTITUTION MAY BE MADE WHERE NECESSARY. REPORT PERS IN EXCESS OF M/L TO THIS HQ ASAP. SUBMIT PERS REQUIREMENTS BY RANK AND MOS ASAP.

E. CASUALTY REPORTING FOR SLF IAW BRIGADE ORDER 3040.1. ENBARK WITH CASUALTY CARDS AND IMPRINTING DEVICE.

F. TO ENSURE PROMPT, UNIFORM PERS PERSONEL ACCOUNTING, ALL PERS IN ATTACHED ELEMENTS BELOW REPORTING UNIT LEVEL WILL BE JOINED CHARGEABLE ON ROLLS OF H&SCO 3/5.

G. UNITS OF REPORTING UNIT LEVEL ARE ATTACHED TO BLT 3/5. FOR HISTORICAL RECORD EACH ATTACHED UNIT SHOULD SUBMIT RECORD OF EVENTS ENTRY ON DIARY AS FOLLOWS: RECORD OF EVENTS (DATED) ATT TO BLT 3/5 AUTH(C).

H. MAILING ADDRESS FOR ALL IAW FMPPACO 2700.3C

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210648Z MAY

FROM: CTF SEVEN NINE
TO: CTG SEVEN NINE PT THREEINFO: CMC
CNO
CG FMFPAC
CINCPAC
COMSEVENTHFLT
CINCPACFLT
CG III MAF
CG FIRST MAW
CHWTO
COMSERVPAC
CINCPACCAF
COMUSTDC
VMFA THREE TWO THREE (REIN)

TAIWAN DEPLOYMENT

- A. COMSEVENTHFLT MSG 210250Z (NOTAL)
 - B. CTF 79 OPLAN 25A-66 (NOTAL)
 - C. COMUSTDC MSG 201012Z (NOTAL)
1. REF A DIRECTS VMFA 323 (REIN) TO DEPLOY TO TAIWAN.
 2. REF B NOW MY OORDER 25A-66. EXECUTE ON RECEIPT THIS MESSAGE.
 3. UPON ARR DESTINATION VMFA 323 (REIN) CHOPS TO COMUSTDC.
 4. VMFA 323 (REIN) ADVISE ALCOM ETD AND WHEN IN PLACE AND READY FOR OPERATIONS.
 5. SUBMIT SITREPS EVERY FOUR HOURS UNTIL DEPLOYMENT COMPLETED AND EVERY
 - 24 HOURS THEREAFTER UNTIL DIRECTED OTHERWISE. INFO SAME ADDEES THIS MESSAGE.
 6. REF C GRANTED IN-COUNTRY CLEARANCE. USE MOTHER HUBBARD CLEARANCE PROCEDURES FOR ENTRY OF ALL TYPES ACFT IAW FOREIGN CLEARANCE GUIDE.
 7. DIRLAUTH CHWTO AND COMUSTDC.

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FROM: MARFITATKRON THREE TWO THREE
TO: AIG SIX ONE

INFO: COMUSFVDC
CG FMFPAC
CTF SEVEN NINE
CTF SEVEN SEVEN
FIRST MAW

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PPP MOVREP 210552Z5 VMFA-323 01//

ORG RV VMFA-323 12 F-4B 02//

ETD P MCAS DIAKUNI, 210500B8) 3//

ETA P TAINAN A. B. TAIWAN, 220030Z 7 04//

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FROM: NINTH MAB
TO: RLT FIVE

INFO: CG FMFPAC
CG FMFPAC I/MAC (FWD)
C M SEVENTHFLT
CG III MAF
CG FIRST MARDIV
CTF SEVEN NINE
CTF SEVEN SIX

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CHOP ORDER

- A. CG NINTH MAB MSG 080545ZMAY66
- 1. REF A DEPLOYED RLT-5 TO RVN
- 2. WHEN EMBARKED RLT FIVE CHOP TO CTF-79. ADCON REMAINS CG NINTH MAB UNTIL DEBARBATION RVN.
- 3. UPON ARRIVAL RVN CHOP TO III MAF OR HIS DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE.

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BY 09 NINTH MAG
TO RUABDE/MAG ONE THREE
INFO RUHLBP/CG POMPAC
ZEM/CG POMPAC/I MAG (PWCA)
RUWTF/CG ILL MAF
RUMAR/CG FIRST MAG
RUMAN/MAG ONE SIX
RUMSF/MAG THREE SIX
RUMVA/MAG TWO SIX ONE
RUMABO/MAG THREE SIX ONE
RUMJAN/MAG TWO SIX THREE
RUMAPO/MAG ONE FIVE TWO
RUMBY/THIRD VCF
RUMPO/MCAF FUTENA

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- 1. GOVERNMENT ORDER (G)
- 2. CG FIRST MAG MSG 011445Z
- 3. POMPAC P4639.2A
- 4. BY 000227L AFR
- 5. CMC MSG 063021Z DEC 65

1. BAG-18 IS DIRECTED TO RELOCATE MMH-361 AND MMH-263 BETWEEN CHU LAI, RVN AND FUTENA AS INDICATED IN REF (A).

2. PROVIDE MC-130 AIRLIFT FOR MMH-361 ADVANCE PARTY TO FUTENA TO CHU LAI 18 MAY TO INVENTORY AND RECEIPT FOR BGC, AND ACFT

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RECORDS AND ORGAN PREP OF MMH-261. PROVIDE MC-130 AIRLIFT MMH-263 ADVANCE PARTY DURING TO FUTENA 18 MAY FOR INVENTORY OF MMH-361.

3. ENSURE BATH BODY OF MMH-361 AIRLIFTED IN FOUR INCREMENTS 24 THROUGH 28 MAY TO CHU LAI. CORRESPONDING INVENTORY OF MMH-263 WILL BE MOVED TO MCAF, FUTENA ON THE RETURN TRIP OF SAME AIRCRAFT.

4. COMMENCING ON OR ABOUT 6 MAY 1966 FIVE PILOTS MMH-361 AND CREW MEMBERS EACH WEEK FROM FUTENA TO CHU LAI FOR ORIENTATION AS REQUIRED. SUBMIT TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS EARLY REF (B).

5. COORDINATING INSTRUCTIONS

A. SQDN ORDERS PROMISED TO MUTUALLY ENSURE SATISFACTORY OVER OF ACFT, ACFT RECORDS AND PROPERTY CO-ORDINATION TO RED CAPABILITY.

B. ALL ACFT REMAIN IN PLACE.

C. SUBMIT OFFSTAT DURING 24 HOURS OF ARR.

D. MMH-263 WILL CHOP TO MAG-18 UPON ARRIVAL.

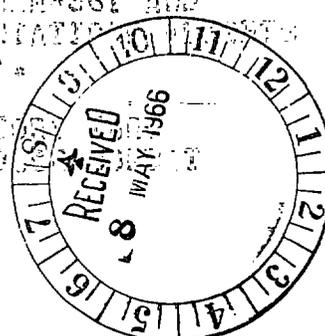
E. MMH-361 WILL CHOP TO MAG-36.

F. ADVISE INSTNS FOR MMH-361.

G. PREPARE CERTIFICATES IN VIEW OF CIRCUMSTANCES OF COOPERATION PAR 2110 FOR ALL MARINE AND NAVY PERSONNEL. REPORT PERFORMANCE OF BASE TO COMBAT SE FACTORY. ADVISE TO AND TO

H. PRIOR TO 0000 GMT TO 0000 GMT HAVE

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BE THREE RUABQL 155B S E C R E T
 PC ORDERS FROM EPDOPAC AND NAVY OFFICERS MUST HAVE PCF ORDERS FROM
 CG FMFPAC. ADVISE THIS HQ ASAP WARRER ALL NAVY PERS TO BE DEPLOYED.
 THIS HQ WILL REQ ORDERS.

C. PERSONNEL DEPLOYED MUST BE PHYSICALLY QUALIFIED; BE 18 YEARS
 OF AGE OR OLDER AT TIME OF DEPLOYMENT; BE QUALIFIED IN AN MOS
 ABOVE BASIC LEVEL; NOT HAVE BEEN TWICE WOUNDED IN VIETNAM IAW
 MCO 1300.21; AND MUST NOT BE SOLE SURVIVING SON WITHIN MEANING OF
 MCO 1300.11D. MAG-13 REASSIGN NON-DEPLOYABLE PERS.

D. STRENGTH OF HMM-361 AT TIME OF DEPLOYMENT WILL BE AS NEAR
 MANNING LEVEL AS PERSONNEL RESOURCES PERMIT.

E. PERSONNEL WITH RTD JUN66 WILL NOT BE DEPLOYED.

F. DIRECTIVES ISSUED BY BRIGADE, MAG-13, CTF 79, CTG 79.3, AND
 MCAF FUTENA TO BE TURNED OVER TO HMM-263.

G. GROUP TRAVEL ORDERS TO BE ISSUED FOR ADVANCE ECHELONMENTS
 WHEREVER APPROPRIATE.

H. WHEN ADCON HMM-361 PASSES TO CG FIRST MAW THIS COND REQUIRED
 TO PROVIDE CG FIRST MAW COMPLETE NAME LISTING ALL PERS INVOLVED.
 LISTING MUST INCLUDE RTD. DIRECT HMM-361 PREPARE ROSTER UTILIZING
 SIX-LINE PERS PLATE IMPRESSION. ENSURE ROSTER IS CURRENT AS OF DATE
 ADCON ASSUMED BY CG FIRST MAW. DELIVER ROSTER TO FIRST MAW HQ BY

PAGE FOUR RUABQL 155B S E C R E T
 BT EXPEDITIOUS MEANS.

4. LOGISTICS

A. NAVY PROPERTY: ALL REMAIN IN PLACE EXCEPT INDIVIDUAL TOOL BOXES.

B. MC PROPERTY: ALL REMAIN IN PLACE EXCEPT INDIVIDUAL EQUIPMENT.

C. PRIVATELY OWNED FIRE ARMS WILL NOT - REPEAT - WILL NOT BE
 CARRIED INTO RVN.

5. FISCAL

A) REPORT UNOBLIGATED BALANCES AND AMOUNTS AVAIL FOR WITHDRAWAL
 OF BPN 01 OPTAR FUNDS OF HMM-361. OPNAV RPTS 3710-2 AND 3710-3
 SUBMITTED IN ACCORD PARA 204.1 OF FMFPACO P7000.3.

B) HMM-263 WILL BE GRANTED A BPN 01 OPTAR FROM THIS HQ.

6. MEDICAL: ENSURE ALL REQUIRED IMMUNIZATION ACCOMPLISHED.

7. COMMAND: DIRLAUTH ALCON.

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 TO RUMHNL/CINCPAC
 INFO RUAUBUL/COMSEVENTHFLT
 RUMHBP/CG FMFPAC
 RUMSMA/COMUSMACV
 RUMSNF/CG IIN MAF
 RUAUBUV/CTF SEVEN SIX
 RUABQL/CTF SEVEN NINE
 RUMFUAC/CTG SEVEN SIX FT FIVE
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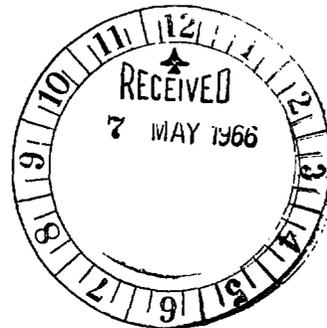
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A. CINCPACFLT 040516Z PASEP

B. CINCPAC 042126Z NOTAL

1. CINCPACFLT, BY REF A, FORWARDED A FIRM SCHEDULE FOR
 AGR/SLF DURING 16 MAY - 5 JUNE. CINCPAC APPROVED A
 COMUSMACV REQUEST TO LANT BLT 1/3 AT CHU LAI ON 5 MAY, BY
 REF B, AND DIRECTED CINCPACFLT TO RECONSTITUTE THE SLF IN
 ACCORDANCE WITH THE SCHEDULE FORWARDED BY CINCPACFLT IN
 REF A.

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IN VIEW OF THE ADVANCED IN-COUNTRY DEPLOYMENT OF BLT 1/5 DIRECTED BY REF B, CINCPACFLT PLANS TO ADVANCE THE SCHEDULE CONTAINED IN REF A TO PERMIT EARLIER AVAILABILITY OF BLT 3/5 (RECONSTITUTED SLP) FOR BATTEN DOWN OR OTHER APPROPRIATE AMPHIBIOUS OPERATIONS. ACCORDINGLY, THE FOLLOWING ARG/SLP SCHEDULE IS FORWARDED AND MODIFIES REF A ACCORDINGLY:

8-11 MAY	ENROUTE OKI
12-13 MAY	EMBARK BLT 3/5 AT OKI
14-16 MAY	ENROUTE SUBIC
17-20 MAY	UPKEEP/TRAINING SUBIC
21 MAY	PRE-SAIL SUBIC
22 MAY	UPKEEP/TRAINING SUBIC
23 MAY	HILLTOP REVERSAL SUBIC
LHM 24 MAY	ENROUTE SAN JOSE
25-27 MAY	PHIBEX - HILLTOP SAN JOSE
28 MAY	RE-EMBARK SLP. POST EXERCISE CRIT 1173.
	END SUBIC UPON COMPLETION
29 MAY	ARG/SLP AVAILABLE FOR BATTEN DOWN OR OTHER APPROPRIATE AMPHIBIOUS OPERATIONS.

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P 310840Z MAY 66

FROM: CG FIRST MARDIV REIN
TO: AIG SIX ZEROINFO: CG FMPPAC
CG III MAF
FIFTH MAR

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SECRET, PPP MOVREP 310840Z6 CO FIFTH MAR, 01//

ORG GT FIFTH MAR (MINUS) GC HQ CO (MINUS)-FIFTH MAR, 02//CHG CHP 262130Z4 CG FIRST MARDIV, 03//

CFN 310840Z4, 04//END

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FM CG NINTH MAB
TO AIG SIX ONE
INFO RUHLBP/CG FMFPAC
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ORG UC CP CTF SEVEN NINE - CG NINTH MAB, 02//
CHG SFT 122230Z0 CAMP COURTNEY, TO CAMP HANSEN, 03//
CT C 3 BG NINTH MAB, 04//
MAL FPO SAN FRANCISCO 96602, 05//
CFN 122329Z9, 122230Z0, 06//END
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 FM COMSEVENTHFLT
 TO RUMFUAC/CTG 76.5
 RUMFUAC/CTG 79.5
 INFO RUMFUV/CTF 78
 RUABOL/CTF 79
 RUMFU2/CTF 73
 RUMFUM/CFE 77
 RUMFUAC/CTG 79.8
 RUHLNL/CINCPACFLT
 RUMSNA/COMUSMACV
 RUHLDP/CG FMFPAC
 RUHLNL/COMPHIBPAC
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 RUMFOF/CTG 73.5
 RUMFKB/CTF 115
 RUMSBB/COMNAVFORV
 RUMSBB/CG III MAF

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DECK HOUSE ONE (U)
 A. CINCPACFLT 262122Z NOVAL
 1. XAW REF A THE FOLLOWING

CITION IS DIRECTED.

A. TERMINATE AMPHIBIOUS OPERATION DECK HOUSE ONE EFFECTIVE 270400Z
 OR AS SOON THEREAFTER AS FEASIBLE. REPORT TIME OF TERMINATION TO ALCON.

B. CHOP OPCOM OF SLE TO COMUSMACV OR SUCH SUBORDINATE COMMAND AS
COMUSMACV MAY DESIGNATE FOR PARTICIPATION IN OPERATION NATHAN HALE.
 REPORT TIME OF CHOP TO ALCON.

C. MAINTAIN TG 76.5 OFF IZ CTZ IN SUPPORT OF I FFORCEV AS APPRO-
 PRIATE.

2. UPON TERMINATION OF THE OPERATION ASHORE ABOUT 00 JUN THE
 AMPHIBIOUS TASK FORCE WILL BE RECONSTITUTED AND A TACTICAL WITH-
 DRAWAL CONDUCTED. THE FORCE TO BE WITHDRAWN WILL BE DEPLOYED TO

ALCON TO FACILITATE WITHDRAWAL. WITHDRAWAL DAY (26-27 JUN) TO JUN 20
 HOUR (6-HOUR) AND RELATED MATTERS WILL BE INDIVIDUALLY AGREED UPON

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 BY THE CATF AND COMUSMACV OR HIS DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE. OPERATION-
 AL CONTROL OF THE LANDING FORCE WILL BE PASSED TO THE CATF AT W-HOUR
 WHICH IS DEFINED AS THE SPECIFIC TIME THAT THE LANDING FORCE UNITS
 BEGIN THE FINAL TACTICAL MOVEMENT TO CLOSE ON DESIGNATED LANDING
 ZONES AND/OR BEACHES FOR WITHDRAWAL.
 ES. UPON COMPLETION OF THE AMPHIBIOUS WITHDRAWAL OPERATION THE ARG/
 SLF WILL PROCEED TO SUBIC BAY FOR UPKEEP/TRAINING.

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