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PART ONE

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

III MARINE AMPHIBIOUS FORCE

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY FOR PERIOD 1 JUNE - 30 JUNE 1966

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1-16 JUNE)

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PART TWO

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

I. INTRODUCTION

A. General. On 26 June III Marine Amphibious Force headquarters displaced from vic (AT 993754) to vic (BT 041784) on the east bank of the Song Han opposite the city of Danang. All forces under operational control of III MAF were located in the I Corps Tactical Zone with the exception of ANGLICO detachments that were operating in all four CTZ's. Average personnel strength rose from 52,712 to 55,654 during June.

B. Activities. III MAF continued operations in the accomplishment of the objectives as established by COMUSMACV Letter of Instruction (LOI 3-66) dated 30 March 1966.

II. OPERATIONS

A. III MAF had the following objectives during the month of June: (1) Destruction of VC forces, (2) Pacification, (3) Base Defense, (4) Prevention of armed conflict in the political situation.

1. During June III MAF forces conducted 8 major operations and 11,343 small unit operations. The total number of major and small unit operations each month over the last six months did not vary significantly. However, the trend of results in terms of VC casualties from both types of operation is significant (See Table I). The term "small unit" is applied to a company, platoon, squad, or fire team operation. In June, 801 VC KIA were inflicted by small units with a kill ratio of 7.4:1. In contrast, results of the major operations in June were 133 VC KIA with a kill ratio of 5.8:1. While the figure of 133 VC KIA is second lowest of the six month period (119 in May) the total VC KIA is 934, the second highest in the six month period (1383 in March) and substantially above the January through June VC KIA average of 770.

	Total VC KIA	<u>TABLE I</u> VC KIA by Small Unit Op	VC KIA by Major Op
Jan	443	389	54
Feb	662	83	579
March	1382	394	988
April	593	222	371
May	758	539	119
June	934	801	133
Total	4672 (Avge 770)	2428	2244

2. Pacification efforts. III MAF continued to support the GVN revolutionary development program by conducting civic action activities and continued integration of PF with USMC units.

3. Base Defense: The 1st MP battalion took over the responsibility of security of the Danang Airfield complex, releasing an infantry battalion.

4. Preventing armed conflict in the political situation. A majority of the political difficulty in the ICTZ during the month of June occurred in the Hue city area. Demonstrations and various forms of resistance were subdued by GVN forces flown into the area while III MAF forces continued the "hands off" policy, but maintained open routes of communications for logistical support between Hue City ramp and the Phu Bai combat base with certain exceptions during the "Altar" crisis.

B. Eight major operations and one special operation were conducted during the month of June. Two significant small unit contacts were also reported.

1. Operation Athens. A battalion size search and destroy operation was conducted from 25 May to 25 June. Area of operations was located southeast of and adjacent to the Phu Bai TAOR. The purpose of the operation was to conduct extensive patrol and ambush activity to prevent enemy movement through the area and to intercept enemy forces attempting to attack villages and other installations along Highway #1. Losses for the operation were: Friendly; 2 KIA, 10 WIA; Enemy; 11 KIA, 29 KIA (Prob), 1 VCC.

2. Operation Reno. A battalion size search and destroy operation commenced on 30 May and continued to 8 June. Operating area for Reno was defined as the area of a circle with a 10 km radius centered at Dong Ha in Quang Tri Province. One company of the battalion conducted search and destroy operations in coordination with ARVN Forces while another company conducted reconnaissance in force operations and night ambushes. Losses for the operation were: Friendly; none; Enemy; 3 KIA.

3. Operation Beaver. A battalion (reinf) size search and destroy operation by 2/1st Marines in Co Bi Thanh Tan area was conducted 1-9 June. Two companies landed by helicopter in the southeast portion of operational area and attacked to the northwest, one company moved overland to the northwest sector of zone and attacked to southeast, and one company remained as

battalion reserve. Only light resistance was encountered during the operation which was more notable for the 27,700 lbs of rice confiscated than for the number of enemy killed. Losses for the operation were: 7 USMC WIA; 1 VC KIA, 3 VCC, 9 VCS, 27,700 lbs of rice captured.

4. Operation Apache. A search and destroy operation conducted during 6-12 June took place in two phases in the Do Phuoc and Thanh Hus valley complexes, 10 miles south of Tam Ky. The first phase consisted of scouting and patrolling by Company A, 1st Recon Battalion in operation area in an attempt to initiate a contact significant enough to trigger the introduction of 2/5th Marines(-)(Reinf); the second phase began two days later and consisted of a normal search and destroy operation from a battalion combat base. Light contact was experienced throughout the operation which was characterized by minor skirmishes, with no major encounters. The largest VC KIA total resulting from one action was four, and USMC forces suffered no KIA. Seven tons of rice were confiscated and the extreme heat took a toll of eight non-battle evacuees. Ten fixed wing sorties and 606 helicopter sorties were flown in support of this operation. Losses for the operation were: Friendly: 4 WIA; Enemy: 22 KIA, 26 WIA (Prob), 6 VCC, 23 VCS.

5. Operation Florida. A coordinated USMC/ARVN search and destroy operation was conducted 9-12 June in the Co Bi Thanh Tan area, north of Nui Ong Gia and Nui Dong west Song Bo area with 2 USMC battalions sweeping south with very light contact. Small unit operations were conducted with Marines sustaining several mine and booby trap incidents. The most significant contact occurred when a VC company was observed attempting to cross the Song Bo. Marines took VC under fire and inflicted 12 VC KIA. Losses for the operation were: Friendly: 4 WIA; Enemy: 15 KIA, 1 VCC.

6. Operation Dodge. A search and destroy operation was conducted during 17-23 June in the area northeast of the Phu Bai TAOR and bordering on the coast. The area of operations was divided into thirteen sub-sectors and the companies were assigned search and destroy missions in the various sectors on a random basis. On "D" day the command group and two companies moved to their assigned area by truck, while one company was lifted by helicopter. The operation lasted for seven days, during which time 4,000 pounds of rice was confiscated. Light contact was experienced throughout the operation which did not inflict a single known casualty on the VC. Losses for the operation were: Friendly: 8 WIA; Enemy: 1 VCC, 9 VCS.

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7. Operation Jay. A search and destroy operation was conducted from 25 June to 2 July 10 miles north of Hue. One USMC battalion landed by helicopter in the northwest portion of the area of operations and conducted search and destroy operations to the southeast. The other USMC battalion landed by helicopter in the southeast portion of zone of operation and moved to blocking positions. One battery of 155 and one battery of 105 were assigned as support. During the first two days of the operation Marines encountered periodic heavy resistance, however, as the operation continued, contact dropped off so that at termination only light opposition was being encountered. The night of 25 June saw all units of 2/1st Mar and 2/4th Mar continually engaged with the VC. At 252145H the two battalions tied in their lines and had a VC force believed to be the 812th VC battalion, enclosed between them; arty, NGF, and close air support inflicted heavy casualties. From 25-30 June, 96 fixed wing sorties were flown for the continuing operation; damage assessment was 46 structures destroyed, 2 damaged, 4 secondary fires, 16 KBA (CONF) and 33 KBA (PROB). Helicopters flew 840 sorties with 14 KBA (CONF) by armed helicopters. Losses for the operation were: Friendly: 23 KIA, 58 WIA; Enemy: 82 KIA, 264 KIA (PROB), 3 VCC.

8. Operation Oakland. One USMC battalion landed in the northern portion of the area of operations 55 kilometers south of Chu Lai TAOR, east of Highway #1 and commenced a search and destroy mission to the south. Two ARVN battalions landed in the southern fringe of zone of operation and began a search and destroy mission to the north. Light opposition was encountered throughout the operation, in which 38 TAC Air Sorties and 55 NGF missions accounted for 50 structures destroyed, and another 109 damaged. In addition, 622 helicopter sorties were flown in support of Oakland. Losses for the operation were: Friendly: 6 WIA; Enemy: 10 KIA, 9 KIA (PROB) 8 VCS.

9. Reconnaissance Platoon 15-16 June. Reconnaissance platoon established an OP on hill 488 of the Nui Vo hills, 15 km west of Highway #1 and 40 km northwest of Chu Lai airstrip. The platoon made several sightings of numerous VC, and called artillery missions. Around midnight on 15 June OP received SA fire and VC began probing. VC intensified attack on hill with .50 cal and .30 cal machine guns, 60mm mortar, and encircled the position. Marines called in close air support, flare ships, and extraction helicopters. One UH-1E gunship and fixed wing aircraft conducted strikes under light of flares. Action continued through the early morning hours with all ammunition being expended. Except for small arms the reconnaissance platoon relied on AN/TPQ-10 strikes coming as close as

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100 meters of the position. At dawn helicopters lifted a relief rifle company into a landing zone 250 meters from the reconnaissance platoon and in 40 minutes the company had established a perimeter around the reconnaissance platoon to insure its extraction. Elements of the company reduced several VC positions and recovered 39 enemy bodies and 29 weapons. Operations in the area continued until 22 June with observation posts calling artillery missions and air strikes. 234 fixed wing CAS/DAS sorties were flown. These included patrol insertions and extractions, TAC(A), Med Evac, troop lift, armed helo. Results of air strikes were 142 structures, 2 bunkers, 3 tunnels, 5 meters of trench destroyed; 30 structures damage, 24 secondary explosions, and 29 KBA (PROB).

10. Operation Turner. On 23 June a force was given the mission to destroy ammunition at abandoned special forces camp at ASHAU. The force was divided into two groups designated Alpha and Bravo with each force having EOD men and engineers attached. Group Alpha landed and entered the fort; there they collected all ammunition and placed a charge with a time fuse on it. Group Bravo landed to the southwest of the fort, exploded two pallets of SA ammo and joined Group Alpha at the fort. Both groups embarked on helicopters before the time fuse detonated the ammo. Twelve DAS sorties were flown in support. The force which landed at 230700H, was off the ground again by 230855H. The following items were destroyed: 24 cases SA .30 cal and M-1 carbine ammo; 30 ground signal devices; 37 rounds 57mm; 24 rounds M-79; 24 rounds M-72; 14 WP grenades; 2 rounds 4.2 inch HE, 17 wp, and 34 ILLUM; 213 rounds 60mm HE; 212 rounds 60mm WP; 51 rounds 81mm HE; 20 rounds 81mm WP; 79 rounds 81mm ILLUM; 3 RPG-2 CHICOM.

11. Reaction to Ambush 29 June. The 2nd Battalion VNBC convoy was ambushed on Highway #1, 27 km northwest of Hue at 0825 on the morning of 29 June. U.S. Marine artillery units were 2000 meters to the east on Operation Jay. 2/12th Mar (-) fired artillery missions as requested within 10 minutes after the ambush was sprung. Airstrikes and artillery missions were conducted on VC escape routes by US and VNAF aircraft. Company I/3/4th Marines was helilifted initially to the vicinity of the ambush site. Reaction force of ARVN units was rapidly dispatched. The VNBC Battalion suffered heavy losses during initial stages of ambush. The enemy losses primarily attributable to a speedy reaction were 71 KIA (by USMC), 115 additional KIA by ARVN, 4 VCC; and 39 individual weapons and 8 crew served weapons captured.

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C. Artillery Support. III MAF artillery fired 12,914 missions during June. Of the total, 9,873 or 76% was harassment and interdiction type fires.

D. Air Support.

1. Fixed Wing. III MAF provided fixed wing aircraft during June as indicated in Table II.

TABLE IIFIXED WING SORTIES

<u>TYPE SORTIE</u>	<u>III MAF</u>	<u>ARVN</u>	<u>7TH AF</u>	<u>7TH FLEET</u>
Close Air Support	250		14	
Direct Air Support	1120		10	
Landing Zone Prep	96	30		
Helo Escort	592	282		
Interdiction	36	558		
Photo	162			
ECM			81	99
Other Tactical	57			4
Non Tactical	393		35	
Steel Tiger	—	—	<u>926</u>	—
Totals	3018	870	1626	103

Of the total of 4747 sorties flown, 773 were controlled TPQ-10 missions.

2. Helo Support. III MAF provided helo support during June as indicated in Table III.

TABLE IIIHELICOPTER OPERATIONS**SECRET**
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<u>TYPE TASK</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Convoy Escort	291
Combat Troop Carrier	2195
Armed Helo	908
Combat Cargo	471
Logistic Troop Carrier	2135
Logistic Cargo	2297
Command and Control	36
Search and Rescue	68
Tactical Med Evac	799
Recon	554
Tact Air Coord (Air Borne)	129
Tac Aircraft Recovery	19
Training	111
Maintenance	367
VIP	380
Admin/Liaison	1457
PsyWar	18
Other	204
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Tasks	12439
Sorties	38847
Cargo (Tons)	2472
Passengers	51943

E. Naval Gunfire Support. Naval Gunfire Ships supported III MAF units with 3283 rounds of ammunition expended by 3"/50, 5"/38, 5"/54, 5" S/S rockets against 120 targets.

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A. General Enemy Situation, ICTZ. VC/NVA activity increased during the period, particularly in the latter part of the month. Major actions occurred north of Phu Bai during Operation JAY and during the VC ambush of a VNMV convoy which resulted in a Marine reaction force being deployed. The VC also initiated two attacks against Marine units in the 12th DTA during the period. Small scale harassing actions and mining continued at the usual high pace in all TAOR's. The most notable enemy concentration developed during the second week of the period in the area west of TAM KY in QUANG TIN Province. 934 KIA were confirmed during the period, the highest enemy casualties since March. Aircraft AA firing incidents increased to over 500 for an all time high during the period, but the aircraft hit percentage dropped 12% from May.

B. Quang Tri - Thua Thien - Phu Bai TAOR. VC activity in the 11th DTA was relatively light until the 22nd of June when the 808th NVA Bn was successfully encountered by ARVN units assisted by Marine air during LAMSON 283 in Quang Tri Province. When the operation terminated, 159 VC KIA were confirmed by U.S. Advisors and the CO of the 2d Company, 808th NVA Bn was reported to have been in ARVN hands. At 290825H June, a 28 truck VNMV convoy was ambushed by an estimated VC Bn at (YD 503360). Convoy was attacked from both sides of road along entire length of the convoy. 3d Bn, 4th Marines reaction force made contact with VC at 291200H. Cumulative VC losses were 36 VC KIA and 33 VC KBA. Operations RENO at Dong Ha, ATHENS to the south and DODGE to the northeast of Phu Bai, and BEAVER and FLORIDA in the Co Bi Thanh Tan area uncovered isolated VC activity but no significant actions developed. Operation JAY, a two Marine and 4 ARVN battalion search and destroy operation, commenced on 25 June in an area 35 kilometers NW of Phu Bai at (YD 5840). Intense resistance was encountered during the first two days then contact became sporadic. The 812th VC Bn was believed to have been encountered. Cumulative VC casualties by the end of the period was 58 VC KIA, 288 KIA (PROB), 2 VCC and 16 VCS. The operation was continuing at the end of the period. 1st ARVN Division reported early in the month that new large scale NVA units have infiltrated Quang Tri from the north. These reports, while still unconfirmed, have not been discounted.

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C. Quang Nam - Danang TAOR. On 8 June and again on 24 June, the U.S. Special Forces camp at Thoung Duc (ZC 1554) was mortared and attacked by an estimated VC company. During the latter attack, another VC company attacked the Thoung Duc District Headquarters. All attacks were repulsed; VC casualties were described as minor. Small scale VC activity continued throughout the southern portion of the Danang TAOR.

D. Quang Tin - Quang Ngai - Chu Lai TAOR. During the early part of the month, VC units in the 12th DTA avoided contact with Marine/ARVN elements but initiated several actions against PAT and PF elements. Operation APACHE, 12 kilometers south of Tam Ky, netted 22 VC KIA from 6 to 12 June. On 12 June, the 5th VN Marine Bn contacted the 38th VC Bn, reinforced, in Quang Ngai (BS 665577) during Operation QUYET THANG 234. Advisors reported a stubborn fight and counterattack before contact was broken by the VC. VC losses were reported to be 22 KIA. A platoon of the 1st Recon Bn was attacked at 160130H June while on patrol in Quang Tin Province by a battalion of the newly infiltrated 3d Regt, 620th NVA Division. This well equipped and well trained NVA Bn demonstrated good flare discipline and assaulted using fire team rushes. The enemy maintained contact all night until a friendly reaction force arrived the following morning. The 3d Regt (AKA 31st Regt) is still carried by III MAF OOB as a possible unit pending MACV confirmation. The Viet An (ARVN) outpost at (BT 018270) received mortar and 57mm RR fire on several occasions during the week of 12-16 June. Battery D of the 2d Bn, 11th Marines was mortared and attacked on 20 June by VC in company strength. Intense small arms fire from three directions and 69 rounds of 82mm mortar fire were received.

E. Counterintelligence.

1. Propaganda and Subversion. During the reporting period, the VC continued to conduct propaganda campaigns, both oral and written, and to introduce subversion agents into urban and the partially pacified areas. The VC appear to have been slow in taking the initiative to exploit the recent political unrest, however, they gained some momentum during the month of June. Both propaganda and coercive attempts were undertaken by the VC to capitalize on certain political movements. It is too early to assess what marked effect these VC efforts will have on both the individual Vietnamese and the Struggle elements. Indications from reports received

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are that the VC will continue to have at least in the near future, some influence on the aftermath of the Struggle Movement. The VC will probably continue to exploit local villagers whenever it appears to be to their advantage. Several VC leaflets, varying in themes, in both Vietnamese and English language, have been found throughout ICTZ. These continue to stress the liberal VC treatment of Government of Vietnam military and civilian personnel when they defect and expound on the VC Front policies. The initial assessment of these documents appears to indicate that the VC have decided to increase their anti-government movement in an attempt to create confusion among various towns and villages and to induce the people to stage anti-government demonstrations. Other movements attempt to spread dissension among various religious sects and political parties. Efforts to induce South Vietnamese troops to defect and to organize subversive movements among government employees are of note, and may be assisted at this time by the recent unrest in Danang and Hue. During the demonstrations some local troops displayed dissatisfaction with the South Vietnamese Government of Prime Minister NGUYEN CAO KY. The demonstration also caused instability within the local government as some employees were forced to resign or were fired or replaced by other personnel. Recently captured VC propaganda documents point to an increase in anti-US themes directed at the U. S. soldier describing him as a sadist and a rapist. There may be a greater trend toward this type of propaganda in the future.

2. Terrorism. The Pacification Program appears to be an immediate threat to the VC's subversive effort and in retaliation VC assassinations of Pacification Team members may be expected to continue. VC "Shock Teams", possibly synonymous with Sapper Platoons, were reported for the first time during the month of June. More accentuation is being placed on the employment of young people to conduct acts of terrorism, propaganda, etc., throughout ICTZ. Local VC forces and guerrillas appear to continue to conduct diversionary attacks and acts of terrorism in GVN controlled areas and in the vicinity of some U. S. installations.

3. Espionage and Sabotage. The VC continue to use children and young Vietnamese in their intelligence activities. Reports received have indicated that children throughout ICTZ have been primarily used to collect information concerning U. S. installations and to infiltrate cities, towns and outposts to collect information which will aid the Viet Cong in the current "Political Struggle". VC have disguised themselves as Buddhist Monks and Civil Officials in attempts to infiltrate the Struggle Movement and local villages. Several agent reports have indicated an increased effort by the VC to strengthen their intelligence collection capability. Both male and female agents are being utilized clandestinely

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to achieve the desired results. Emphasis has been placed on recruiting the young (pretty) females to infiltrate areas near U. S. installations to collect information. The VC are also attempting to form a sabotage force known as the DUNG SI DIET MY (Valient Men Destroying Americans)(VMDA) with the mission of conducting sabotage against American and GVN military installations and assassinating high ranking officers. Sabotage of bridges and roads along Highway #1 and the destruction of small outposts in the Quang Ngai area and the interdiction of other lines of communication remains primary VC targets. One captured document reveals that a VC Sapper Battalion was formed to conduct such sabotage.

4. Civil Disturbances. The month of June saw the political crisis shift from Danang to Hue. On 1 June 1966, the Struggle Forces set fire to the U. S. Consulate in Hue and rendered that structure unusable. On 3 June, the scene shifted temporarily to Danang, where a young Buddhist Nun performed the act of self-immolation in downtown Danang. 4 June, another act was conducted in Quang Tri. On 7 June, THICH TRI QUANG, leading Buddhist Bonze in Hue announced that all Buddhist were to passively protest the Government take over by placing their Buddhist altars in the streets. Danang followed QUANG's orders but action there was quickly subdued by the local police and occupation troops. On 9 June in Hue the Buddhist altars effectively blocked U. S. and ARVN troop movement through the city causing a 24 hour delay in Operation FLORIDA. On 10 June, KY made the decision to move on Hue and 600 Police Field Force personnel from Saigon landed and proceeded into the city. On the evening of 15 and the morning of 16 June, VN Airborne troops, soon to be followed by VN Marines, entered the city of Hue. Meanwhile TRI QUANG in protest to Government action, commenced a hunger strike. On 9 June, he was hospitalized, due to high blood pressure and later moved to Saigon reportedly for health reasons. On 19 June Government Forces seized the pagodas in Hue, last outpost of the Struggle Forces, and at the close of the reporting period Hue and Danang appeared to be back to normal.

F. New Enemy Tactics.

1. On 29 May, in An Xuyen, the southernmost province in RVN, an ARVN inspection team used a hand held mine detector on a trial basis to inspect a sampan. A search of the interior of the sampan was negative, however, the instrument indicated the presence of metal. Further search revealed a box secured to the hull of the sampan. The box contained grenades.

2. On 30 June, a VNAF officer with intelligence sources, reports a VC company disguised as fishermen operating

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along Song Cau Do south of Danang. Company has unknown number of 60, 81, and 120mm mortars and transports them by concealing them under the hull of the boats or beneath false bottoms. (VNAF rating B-1, unrated by III MAF G-2).

G. Mines and Booby Traps. The incidence of enemy employment of mines and booby traps decreased 8% from last month's all time high. In the Danang area, there are indications that the VC are employing the M-16A1 mine in small mine fields. The following incidents, two days apart, resulted in numerous casualties:

111102H June - While a rifle company was participating in an operation, a mine identified as an M-16A1 type was detonated at (AT 986608). As the wounded were being evacuated, a second and possibly a third detonation occurred.

131230H June - As a group of Marines in the vicinity of an LVT began to deploy on order, a mine reported as an M-16A1 was detonated. As an aid party moved to assist, another mine was detonated. When a corpsman and others attempted to assist, a third mine detonated.

H. Anti-Aircraft. The frequency of anti-aircraft incidents increased considerably while the hits on aircraft decreased from May. A comparison of anti-aircraft statistics between May and June indicate the following:

	<u>MAY</u>	<u>JUNE</u>	<u>PCT CHANGE</u>
Incidents:	399	524*	+31%
Aircraft Hits:	1021	91**	-12%

*(343 HELLO, 181F/W)
 **(83 HELLO, 8F/W)

I. Enemy Statistics: A comparison of pertinent statistics between May and June relating to enemy initiated action and personnel and weapons losses for the reporting period are set forth below:

ENEMY INITIATED INCIDENTS

	<u>MAY</u>	<u>JUNE</u>
Ambush.....	1	0
Attack.....	4	1
Assault by fire.....	1	4
Harassing fire.....	524	577

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Mines and booby traps.....	114	105
Hamlet Harassment.....	3	0
Other Harassment.....	3	0
Sabotage.....	1	2
Propaganda.....	4	4
AA Fire.....	399	524
TOTAL	1064	1217

ENEMY PERSONNEL LOSSES

	<u>MAY</u>		<u>JUNE</u>	
	<u>CONFIRMED</u>	<u>PROBABLE</u>	<u>CONFIRMED</u>	<u>PROBABLE</u>
KIA.	521	437	645	1252
KBA.	137	183	289	642
VCC	95		86	
VCS	579		205	
RETURNEES	82		78	
WEAPONS	116		73	

J. Weather. Clear to partly cloudy skies, gusting winds, high temperatures and occasional scattered thunderstorms in the mountain areas constituted the weather in I Corps during June. Temperature ranged from an average 95° high to a 78° low. Winds were mostly variable at an average 7 knots and gusting. 4.16 inches of precipitation were recorded at Da-nang. Visibility averaged 7-10 miles.

JUNE PRECIPITATION

<u>AREA</u>	<u>PRECIPITATION</u>	<u>MEAN FOR MONTH</u>
PHU BAI	.05"	2.8"
DANANG	4.16"	2.8"
CHU LAI	1.20"	2.8"

K. Enemy OOB.

1. No newly identified enemy units in ICTZ were accepted by III MAF OOB during June.

2. Current enemy Order of Battle ICTZ as of 30 June

<u>Confirmed</u>	<u>Probable</u>
1 Military Region Hq	6 Battalions**
1 Military sub-region Hqs	5 Companies
1 Div Hq	
4 Regiments (3 NVA)	
27 Battalions (9 NVA)*	
32 Companies	

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* Includes 2 Transportation Battalions, 1 Weapons Battalion and 1 AA Battalion.

**The 7th and 8th Battalions (LF) formerly carried in Quang Tri Province have been dropped from the accepted Order of Battle because of a complete lack of contact with these units since June 1965.

IV PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

A. Strength. Table IV outlines the average personnel strength for III MAF during June 1966:

TABLE IV

Average Personnel Strength
III Marine Amphibious Force Headquarters

	<u>OFFICERS</u>			<u>ENLISTED</u>		
	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USA</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USA</u>
HQ III MAF	125	8		266	4	
H&S Company	15	0		170	1	
29th Civil Affairs Co(Attached)			31			88

III Marine Amphibious Force

<u>OFFICERS</u>		<u>ENLISTED</u>	
<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>
3354	320	49,837	2143

B. Casualties. III MAF casualties are shown in Table V.

TABLE V

1. Battle

<u>KIA</u>		<u>WIA</u>		<u>DOW</u>		<u>MIA</u>	
<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>
100	4	697	37	27	0	1(POW)	0

2. Non-battle

<u>DEATHS</u>		<u>INJ/ILL</u>	
<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>USN</u>
3	0	108	5

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1. The 13 officer TAD augmentation from FMFPac commands to III MAF Headquarters significantly aided this Headquarters to improve its performance and reduce a sizable backlog of accumulated action projects during a time of vital need for officer assistance.

2. The Officers TAD terminated on 23 and 24 June 1966 and they departed RVN on these dates.

D. Leave in conjunction with voluntary extensions of overseas tours. Force Order 1300.1 (Encl (1)) was published on 3 June 1966 to amplify on FMFPac Order 1300.9C relating to authorized leave in connection with extension of overseas tours. Essentially, leave will be granted based upon 2½ days leave for each month extended in WESTPAC. Maximum leave authorized is 30 days.

E. Special Services.

1. Recreational equipment, approximately 74,000 pounds, was received during period from Saigon for distribution to subordinate commands.

2. Shows

a. Frank Sutton arrived in Danang on 1 June and departed 9 June 1966.

b. Archie Moore arrived in Danang on 3 June and departed 9 June 1966.

c. The Vietnamese Cultural Show performed at MAG-11 on 11 June 1966.

d. "Operation Starlift" arrived on 11 June 1966 and departed on 15 June 1966. The show featured Dick Contino, Johnny Grant, Julie Gregg, Leigh Snowden, and Mac Horton. Show was well received.

e. "Show Time" arrived in Danang on 18 June and departed on 20 June 1966. The show featured Cal Santo, the Gasper Sisters, Jack Parker and Aileen Wall, and Bob Phillips.

f. John Wayne, Paul Keyes, manager, and Mr. Gordon Grunke, Assistant Recreation Director, 1st Logistical Command, visited ICTZ from 19-21 June 1966.

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3. R&R Program

a. There were no significant problem areas in the R&R program during the month of June. R&R totals were as set forth in Table VI.

TABLE VI

Okinawa	1,272
Hong Kong	432
Manila	186
Bangkok	728
Taipei	520
Tokyo	825
Singapore	150
Kuala Lumpur	78
Penang	73
TOTAL	<u>4,264</u>

b. Kuala Lumpur and Penang opened on 28 and 29 June, respectively, for out-of-country R&R. The stay is 5 days and nights on ground. Monthly quotas are set at 220 for each location.

F. Exchange.

1. Marine Corps Exchange mail order program. Force Bulletin 4066 (Encl (2)) was published on 30 June 1966 to provide information relating to the distribution and use of catalogs and order-blanks to support the Mail Order Program.

2. New Exchange Facility. The New Exchange Facility, located at the III MAF Recreational Area at the base of Hill 327, opened on 24 June 1966 with a brief ribbon cutting ceremony conducted by III MAF Chief of Staff. The opening of this 16 Butler building complex makes it the largest Exchange in RVN with a merchandise value estimated at \$1 $\frac{1}{4}$ million. Of the 16 Butler buildings space, $\frac{1}{2}$ is devoted to a retail store, $\frac{1}{4}$ to a back-up warehouse, and $\frac{1}{4}$ to a snack bar. The merchandise is basically the same as is sold at the Exchange in Da-nang. Additional services include three clothing concessions, automobile sales, diamond/precious stones, wrapping and boxing, and portrait studio.

G. Chaplain.

1. Chaplain strength rose during June to a high of sixty-five. A ratio of one Chaplain to 885 men currently exists.

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2. An official visit by the Force Chaplain FMFPac was made during the period 11-14 June 1966.
3. On 21 June the Command was visited by Dr. Calvin THIELMAN and Rev. Daniel LYONS. Dr. THIELMAN is minister of the Montreat Presbyterian Church, Montreat, N.C. This visit was made at the request of the President and had as its specific objective a survey of hospitals and visits to Civic Action projects. The visit concluded with a dinner by the CG, III MAF for Dr. THIELMAN and all local missionaries and their wives. Roman Catholic Bishop CHI was also present.
4. A thorough critique of lecture materials now being used in the Religions of Vietnam program was conducted by Cdr R. L. MOLE, the FMFPac project officer for that program.
5. Donations to the Chaplain Civic Action program continued to arrive. Total received has now passed the \$12,000 mark.
6. New permanent Chapels were dedicated at MAG-36 and at 9th Motor Transport Battalion.

V LOGISTICS

A. General

1. Normal logistic operations continued throughout I Corps Tactical Zone during June. III MAF Headquarters occupied its new CP in Danang East, which became operational and was officially opened by LtGen. WALT on 26 June.
2. Force Logistic Command took over operation of the Logistic Support Area at An Hoa on 23 June, providing support for the 3rd Battalion, 9th Marines, which is involved in extended operations in that area.
3. Studies underway during the month included "Motor Transport Equipment Requirements for III MAF for CY67 and CY 68"; "Long Range Stationing Plan"; and "Stockage Objectives for all Classes of Supply."

B. Engineer

1. The 9th Force Engineer Battalion arrived at Chu Lai during June, providing significant additional engineer capability for that TAOR. "A" Company, 9th Engineers is deployed in the Danang area, attached to the 7th Engineer Battalion; and "B" Company, 7th Engineers is deployed in the Phu Bai area, providing backup engineer support for III MAF units in that TAOR. Elements of the 1st Bridge Company are attached to the senior Force Engineer command in each TAOR.

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2. Construction was commenced on approaches to the new Danang River Bridge, immediately south of the present bridge (BT 0476). Pile driving for abutments began during the last week in June after 18,810 yards of fill was emplaced. The project was slowed somewhat due to a lack of appropriate piles. 1600 feet of M4 Class 60 superstructure floating bridge arrived and was staged at Danang Air Base. The bridge will include a fixed raised span to permit uninterrupted small boat river traffic. It is expected to be in operation by late July.

3. The 7th Engineer Battalion averaged 100 man hours per day on deliberate mine sweeps covering 11,600 meters of assigned roads, and 21 man hours per day on visual sweeps covering 5400 meters of assigned roads. These sweeps were on roads assumed from the 3d Marine Division in May.

4. Four out of five two lane Class 60T bridges were completed on Route 4 in June, as part of a project to widen the entire length of this road. The lengths and locations of the bridges are as follows: 8' span (AT 930745); 32' bridge (AT 926744) and 15' span (AT 917741).

5. Construction of ASP #2 at Danang was begun in October 1965. To date the 7th Engineer Battalion has constructed 3 miles of road, 6800 feet of bench storage, ten storage pads of various dimensions, a helipad and a 125' X 225' receiving yard; and installed over 1000 feet of culvert. The total area available for storage in this ASP is 550,000 square feet; it is designed to accommodate 5000 short tons of ammunition.

6. On June 10th elements of the 7th Engineer Battalion returned to Danang after assisting the 1st Marine Division in cantonment construction at Chu Lai. During 4½ months the detachment accomplished the following: drilled a 50 GPM well for the CP; poured over 800 cubic yards of concrete; built a Communications Building, the General's Mess, lounge and house, the ADC's house, Chief of Staff's house, the Command Center, the Command Operations Center, and various heads, showers and strongbacks for the 1st Marine Division CP.

7. On 15 June Force Engineers and SeaBees made a preliminary survey for relocation of the Ba To Special Forces Camp (BS 565330). The project will consist of relocating a village, construction of underground defenses and construction of a 220' class 20 bridge. The SeaBees have expressed interest in assignment to this project with limited Marine assistance.

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8. On 17 June a 60 ton M4T6 raft was installed across the Vinh An River on Route #1 (BT 379174) by the 9th Engineer Battalion and a detachment of the 1st Bridge Company.

9. On 18 June the 1st Bridge Company completed installation of 270' of M4T6 floating bridge spanning the Bau Xau River (AT 967606) in support of the 9th Marines.

10. On 21 June the 9th Engineer Battalion installed a three-float raft on Route #1 over the Trau River (BT 430-109). The raft was necessary because the 130' Bailey span at this point was overstressed at the center by a 155 SP gun. On 23 June, the railroad bridge adjacent to the highway bridge was decked for vehicle use. The Bailey span has been repaired sufficiently for light vehicle use (under 2½ T).

11. In the new Brig - MP Bn - Dog Kennel area all 35 strongbacks are completed, as well as the 500 man galley and three 20' X 40' frame buildings. Work continues on the brig fence and guard towers. Both kennel pads have been poured and vertical construction is underway.

12. During the last week of June the last 20 units of a 42-bunker project on Hill 55 south of Danang were completed. The bunkers are both for defensive positions and for sleeping in this local version of "Bunker Hill" for the 9th Marines.

13. On 30 June a III MAF Ad Hoc generator survey team composed of highly qualified personnel from each major command commenced a unit inspection/survey to obtain an accurate power picture and to obtain information upon which to base further allocation of generators.

C. Supply

1. A Force Order on garrison property control procedures was staffed and published, establishing a permanent garrison account within RVN located at Force Logistic Command.

2. An FSAO-4 team completed a scheduled visit to 1st Marine Division units and H&S Company, III Marine Amphibious Force.

3. Red Ball for the month of June again shows a sharp increase in the number of items added. A recap of Red Ball for the month of June follows:

Total line items on Red Ball 1 June 1966	365
Total line items added during June	416
Total line items deleted during June	201
Total line items on Red Ball 30 June 1966	580

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1. The 5th Marines headquarters completed debarkation at Chu Lai on the first day of June; the 9th Engineer Battalion and the 7th Communication Battalion also arrived during the month. Arrivals at Danang included the 29th Civil Affairs Company (US Army) and elements of the 1st MP Battalion and Marine Wing Service Group-17.

2. Naval Support Activity Danang completed the installation of a ten-section causeway at Red Beach Two, and the USS WESTCHESTER COUNTY (LST-1167) made the first moor on 27 June. The 3rd Shore Party Battalion is tasked with unloading ships at Red Beach Two until NSA obtains assets to operate this facility. A total of three ships unloaded at the causeway prior to the end of June.

3. USS ST. CLAIR COUNTY (LST-1096) moored at the Bridge Ramp Facility on 30 June to load FLC cargo for Chu Lai. This was the first LST to moor at this facility.

4. 27 US Navy ships and 45 MSTs ships debarked/em-barked cargoes at Danang. At Chu Lai 31 LST's moored and 7 deep draft USS ships debarked in the stream. The Danang total cargo throughput was 117,323 short tons and 213,457 measurement tons; daily average was 3911 S/T and 7115 M/T. Chu Lai handled 37,596 S/T and 56,106 M/T for a daily average of 1253 S/T and 1870 M/T. 5274 S/T and 8142 M/T were shipped from Danang to Phu Bai. 838 S/T were airlifted to An Hoa by US Air Force C-123's in support of the 2nd Battalion, 9th Marines.

E. Fiscal. On 16 June the Assistant Comptroller attended the FMFPac Fiscal Conference at the 3d Force Regiment on Okinawa. The purpose of this conference was to:

1. Review the Planning Estimate Accounting and Reporting procedures;

2. Discuss procurement and accounting for garrison type equipment;

3. Discuss the importance of utilizing maximum funds available, and determination of the amount of funds to be retained for application toward valid unmatched expenditures;

4. Review the adequacy and deficiencies in the accounting and reporting procedures applied during FY66, and to present the proposed changes for FY67.

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1. The month of June was characterized by efforts to refine coordinating instructions on the FY66 and FY67 R&E Program for combat vehicles. A staff study on the R&E program was completed.

2. The quantities of dynamite received through incremental deliveries have exceeded the expected expenditure rate to such an extent that excess quantities have been generated. III MAF requested FMFPac's assistance in diverting or delaying further shipments until present stocks are reduced.

3. Representatives from III MAF Headquarters, FLC and MACV met to determine details of repayment procedures for ammunition borrowed from RVNAF by units of III MAF.

4. The location and development of ammunition storage facilities for III MAF were reviewed.

5. Delivery schedules for re-equipping with the M-16 rifle were received from CMC.

6. ComNavForV was requested to establish a safety zone around the demolition range at the Hoa Can Regional Forces Training Center to permit the destruction of unserviceable ammunition at that location.

G. Dental. The dental civic action program continued throughout the month.

1. Procedures	7038
2. Patients treated	4843

VI COMMUNICATIONS

A. An increase in total message traffic through III Marine Amphibious Force Communication Center was noted during June. Traffic totals follow:

	<u>May</u>	<u>June</u>	<u>Increase</u>
Incoming	28,808	26,201	
Outgoing	23,762	27,711	
Total	52,570	53,912	1,342

B. During June III Marine Amphibious Force Command Post displaced to Danang East. The following significant actions were accomplished:

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1. 25 pair cable pole line installed III Marine Amphibious Force Command Post to Danang Control (Air Base).

2. Radio Relay Section 7th Communication Battalion deployed to Danang. Radio Relay installed III Marine Amphibious Force Command Post to 1st Marine Aircraft Wing Command Post and 3rd Marine Division Command Post.

3. Displaced Air Force operated AN/MRC-61 Radio Relay equipment to III Marine Amphibious Force Command Post.

4. New III Marine Amphibious Force Communication Center commenced operations 26 June.

C. A detachment of USAF 1st Mobile Communication Group which arrived in May established a 24 channel (AN/MRC-80) tropospheric scatter radio system from Danang to Hue-Phu Bai. This system provides additional channels for III Marine Amphibious Force units and is an interim measure pending arrival of organic assets, (AN/TRC-97).

VII CIVIC AFFAIRS

A. Objectives. The basic objectives of the III MAF Civic Action program remained the same during the month of June. Emphasis continued to be on improving the educational opportunities of the Vietnamese people through school construction and vocational training programs.

B. Joint Coordinating Council. The Council met four times during the month. Of primary interest to the Council was the availability of commercial trucking in the Danang/I Corps Area. A survey conducted by NavSupAct, Danang, was presented to the Council which indicated that the current shortage in commercial trucking would be one of long standing. The Council was also informed that the port operations had returned to normal although some difficulty was still being experienced in the storage and distribution of commodities received because of the lack of adequate transport. Reports were received on the progress of repairs on the Ha Thanh dam. This project was taken over by the ARVN Engineers, and was the first big effort by ARVN units in the field of Civic Action.

C. Joint Coordinating Council Committees. Two committees of the council met during the month.

1. Public Health Committee. This committee reported on the outbreak of plague in Hoa Vang District and on the extensive immunization program conducted by rural and district

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health personnel, supplemented by a team from Saigon. Also discussed was the report that the Minister of Revolutionary Development had budgeted for 1,000 rural health workers. These workers will be given two months training in rural health work and two months training as teachers. On graduation these specialists will receive 2500\$VN per month as a health worker and an additional 300-350\$VN per month as a teacher.

2. Commodities Distribution Committee. III MAF reported that there was on hand over 500 tons of Handclasp items available for distribution. The German rice has been received in I Corps and is now in the process of being distributed. 32 tons was transported to four refugee camps in the Danang area. Effective 1 August, refugee relief payments will be increased from 7-10 piasters per day or 6 piasters and 400 grams of rice.

D. Medical Assistance. Fifty-nine MEDCAP teams operated in 175 locations during June and provided 99,062 medical/dental treatments to 90,673 Vietnamese civilians. This is an increase of 54.5 percent over the number of people seen during May. Distribution (in per cent) of treatments was as follows:

Injuries	35.1
Disease of Skin	20.6
Stomach aches	9.4
Miscellaneous ailments	9.3
Upper respiratory infection	8.3
Headache	6.8
Dental procedures	5.5
Diarrhea	3.8
Fevers	1.1
Veneral Disease	.1

Thirty-four health workers, including nurses, received informal training during the month. Formal medical/dental training for Hue medical students was not resumed with the end of the political struggle. Efforts are being made to start this program with the forthcoming fall term.

E. CARE Program. During June, CARE provided 26,000 pounds of rice for support of III MAF Civic Action programs.

F. Handclasp. During June, III MAF received 74,050 pounds of miscellaneous commodities such as soap, paint, clothing, candy, books, canned goods, shoes and school supplies.

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G. III MAF Education Program. School construction and expansion project continued at a rapid pace throughout the month of June. The vocational training school opened as scheduled on 1 June. Fifty-seven refugees comprised the initial class. Instruction included carpentry, heavy equipment operations and truck driving. This technical training program will be conducted during July and August with 8 hours daily devoted to study. Plans are to expand student body to 200, and will include other students besides refugees.

H. 29th Civil Affairs Company (USA). During the month, the 29th CA Company arrived in Vietnam and reported to III MAF for duty. The Company was only partially operational however as it was without equipment and interpreters. The equipment is expected to arrive in country during July.

VIII PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS

A. Political situation in I Corps.

1. The 3d ARVN PsyOps Bn. is once again operating effectively after a complete reorganization following an operational collapse due to the prevalence of "Strugglers" within its ranks during the recent Danang political crisis. The combined efforts of the 244th PsyOps Company and the 3d Bn. has produced a marked increase in the leaflet production during the month of June.

2. Interpreters, Audio/Visual Teams and Cultural Drama Teams are again available from the 3d Bn. and have been utilized in support of both ARVN and USMC operations.

3. The only trouble spot in I Corps during June which was openly apparent was in the Hue Area. By the end of June the general situation appeared to be dormant, apparently waiting further developments. Although this has had no obvious open effect on June's psychological operations, the continuation of political unrest, even though suppressed still may tend to affect the returnees attitude with regard to the soundness of GVN.

B. Tactical Support.

1. 1,435,000 leaflets, 312,000 safe conduct passes and 1,000 copies of a returnee letter were distributed in support of USMC operations in ICTZ. Rewards for information on the location of mines and booby traps, return of weapons, inevitable defeat of VC, and Chieu Hoi appeals were the major themes stressed last month.

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2. Several aerial and ground broadcasts were made utilizing tapes made by returnees repeating Chieu Hoi appeals. The live broadcasts are reported very effective by the returnees who have recently been questioned on psywar tactics they had been exposed to prior to returning.

C. General Material Distribution.

1. JUSPAO magazines have been disseminated to ITT units, 1st Med Bn. and to VN citizens at County Fair Operations and Band concerts. The "Huong Que Farm Magazine", "Progress of a Nation" (RVN), "History of America", "A Walk in Space" and "An Outline of American Government" are printed in Vietnamese and were distributed during June. These publications are eagerly accepted and appreciated by the local citizens and detainees.

D. Broadcast Speaker Systems.

1. Four complete 500 watt portable speaker units were made operational during June and were utilized extensively by units during the latter part of the month. The unit is adaptable to both aircraft and ground vehicles which include jeeps, trucks, mules, amtracs, and tanks. They have been field tested to an effective range of 4,000 meters and can be set up in a matter of minutes.

2. The shortage of U-10 aircraft in I Corps (only two were available during the entire month) lent many opportunities to test and evaluate this equipment mounted on other vehicles. All reports were excellent and plans for each regimental size unit to have an organic speaker capability for psywar operations will soon be a reality.

E. Extensive PsyWar efforts.

1. LyTin District has been a model area for concentrated psywar application utilizing several techniques ranging from conventional leaflet drops to personal speeches made in villages by the returnees accompanying psywar teams in the field. Letters written by relatives of VC and the District Chief along with printed letters on leaflets were used to persuade VC to return. The results of the concentrated effort produced 28 returnees from Ly Tin District along. This is 1/3 of the total monthly I Corps figure.

2. The devastating effects of artillery and air power, disease, lack of food and defeats in battle suffered by units in Ly Tin District were reported to be the major exploitable targets determined from questioning the returnees.

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A. Background. During June, 186 escorted visits were accomplished by the Combat Information Bureau. These trips covered operations, civic action and various other subjects of interest to the press. The Danang Press Center, now under full operational and administrative control of CG III MAF, hosted 142 newsmen and VIP's during the reporting period.

B. Transportation. Escorted visits to the field of news media representatives were somewhat limited during the month of June due to the non-availability of vehicles. Of the three M-38 jeeps assigned to the CIB, one was still at FLSG (approximately 90 days) awaiting replacement; one required continual maintenance and is ready for survey; one was used extensively. The body of the 1962 Plymouth station wagon is rusting out. The rear glass is missing and the engine needs overhaul.

C. Photography. The Photo Section forwarded a total of 17,920 feet of motion picture film during the month of June. This included film exposed by all photographic units within the III MAF. 70% of the coverage was operational, 16% was Civic Action, and the remainder was technical and VIP footage. Of significant interest was film shot on the preventive spraying at Hoa Phat, Memorial Day Services and Operations Mobile, Incinerator, Reno, Carol, Apache, Kansas, Jay and Liberty.

D. Radio/TV. During the month of June, the Radio/Television Section of CIB released a total of 59 releases. These included sound tapes for three (3) film stories shot by the photo section, Frank Sutton Show, LVT-E Line Charge, Navy Mobile Frozen Blood Bank. The Radio Section also produced four (4) feature programs in addition to thirty-six taped interviews for home town broadcasts.

E. Escorts. During June, 186 escorts were recorded. Included were interviews with SSgt Jimmie Howard (Recon), two POW escapees, coverage of Operation Jay, civic action, snipers, patrol and sentry dogs, combat patrols and personal interviews. Three of these escorts resulted in favorable nation-wide publicity for the Marine Corps--Howard, POW's and Operation Jay. Dean Brellis (NBC) received a cable from his New York office praising his color, sound-on-film coverage of Jay as one of the best to come out of the Vietnam War. "Mere congratulations is not enough," it stated. Notable media representatives and

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VIP's who visited the CIB during June were: John Wayne; Frank Sutton, TV personality; Howard K. Smith, Ronald Headford, ABC; Carl Sorenson, Dan Rather, John Flynn, Jerry Adams, CBS; Dean Brelis, Ron Nesson, David Burrington, NBC; George Esper, Bob Poos, AP; Bill Reilly, Robert Ibrahim, UPI; Jim Lucas, Jack Steele, Scripps-Howard; Donald Neff, William McWhirter, Time-Life; Joe Brooks, Copley; Bill Cook, Newsweek; Jack Foisie, L. A. Times; John Apple, N.Y. Times; Robert Jones, Honolulu Advertiser; Simeon Booker, Ebony-Jet; Jerry Dunphy, KNXT-TV, Hollywood; Donald Wise, London Daily Mirror; Beverly Deepe, N.Y. Herald Tribune; Bart McClendon, McClendon Radio Corp.; Tom Flynn, Oakland Tribune; Mike Neal, Reuters; Warran Bosworth, Dallas Times Herald; Malcolm Browne, Free Lance (True); Howard Brodie, Free Lance Combat Artist (USA DOD Camera Team); Lawrence Ward, World Vision, Inc.

F. Press Releases. The Press Section processed and distributed 235 news releases during June. Of these, 40 concerned civic action. The balance covered straight news, feature and operational material. Of the 235 news releases, 114 were accompanied by photographs. In addition, 5,101 releases were forwarded to the Fleet Home Town News Center.

G. Press Center. A total of 142 reporters and VIP guests checked in at the Press Center during the month of June.

X I CORPS TACTICAL ZONE ACTIVITY (RVNAF)

A. General. The assignment of pro-government military commanders and staff, and the removal of dissident elements from units resulted in an overall improvement in command and control in the I CTZ. Concurrently, the stabilization of the political situation resulted in more aggressive military operations, and improvement in the Revolutionary Development Program, RF/PF activities, logistical support, and engineer activities.

B. Current Operations.

1. I Corps conducted 50 battalion size unit operations during the month as compared to 40 last month. There were 9 combined and 7 airmobile operations included in the above figures. Contact was made with the VC in 34 of these operations as compared to 22 last month. Friendly combat losses were 173 KIA and 399 WIA as compared to 132 KIA and 258 WIA last month. Enemy losses were 568 KIA, 72 KBA, and 138 VCC as compared with 397 KIA and 77 VCC in May. There were 29 returnees in June, a decrease of 6 from last month. The weapons figures were 168 captured and 118 lost as compared to 132 captured and 69 lost last month.

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2. Four significant operations took place in the I CTZ in June.

a. Operation Quyet Thang 234, an airmobile search and destroy operation, was conducted 15 miles south of Quang Ngai on 12-13 June. At 1545 hours 12 June, heavy contact was made when the Viet Cong attacked the battalion CP and one company of the 5th VN Marines. Friendly casualties were 42 KIA, including 2 USMC advisors; 64 WIA; and 1 USMC MIA. VC losses were 22 KIA, 9 VCC, 35 KBA, and an additional estimated 170 KIA. Three weapons were captured.

b. Quyet Thang 244, a reaction operation 16 kilometers southeast of Quang Ngai, took place 22 June. The 2d Battalion, 4th Regiment, was moving north on Highway 1 when attacked by the VC 48th LF Battalion. A reaction force composed of two companies of the 2d Battalion, 5th Regiment, and the 1st APC Troop, 4th Armored Cavalry, attacked the VC but lacked sufficient strength to conduct a pursuit. Friendly casualties were 20 KIA; 31 WIA, including 1 Australian advisor; and 20 MIA. Forty-five weapons were lost. Enemy casualties were 42 KIA, and an additional estimated 168 KBA and by NGF. Four individual weapons were captured.

c. Lam Son 283, an airmobile search and destroy operation, was conducted northeast of Quang Tri City on 21-23 June. The 1st Battalion, 1st Regiment; 1st and 2d VN Marine Battalions; 2nd and 3d APC Troops, 7th Armored Cavalry; and the Division Reconnaissance Company were the units committed. Friendly casualties were 37 KIA and 104 WIA, including 1 USMC advisor. Four weapons were lost. Enemy casualties were 312 KIA and 40 VCC. Fifty-four individual weapons and 18 crew served weapons were captured.

d. Lam Son 285, a combined ARVN-USMC airmobile search and destroy reaction operation, took place 2 kilometers north of Pho Trach on 20-30 June. A convoy carrying the 2d Vietnamese Marine Battalion was ambushed by the 802d VC Battalion reinforced by the heavy weapons, anti-aircraft, recoilless rifle, and signal companies of the 6th VC Regiment. The reaction force was composed of the 5th Airborne Battalion; 2d and 3d Battalions, 3d Regiment; the 1st Tank Troop and 2d APC Troop, 7th Armored Cavalry, and two USMC companies. Friendly casualties were 48 KIA and 101 WIA, including 1 USMC advisor. Twenty-six individual and 9 crew served weapons were lost. Enemy casualties were 161 KIA with an additional estimated 64 KIA, and 9 VCC. Thirty-four individual and 13 crew served weapons were captured.

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C. VC Activities. During the month of June VC initiated incidents remained at a relatively low level with a total of 224 reported as compared to 225 last month.

1. In the 11th DTA at approximately 1400 hours on 5 June a USAF surveying team was attacked in an area west of Highway 1 (YD 276554). All members of the six man team were killed.

2. In Quang Nam Sector the Cau Lau bridge (BT 091-552) was partially destroyed during the night of 23 June.

3. In the 12th DTA the 745th RF Company and one PF platoon were attacked on 28 June by a VC force estimated at three companies. Friendly casualties were 21 KIA and 8 WIA. Enemy casualties were estimated at 30 KIA. One VC and four individual weapons were captured.

4. Significant enemy movement was noted in Quang Tin Province and both returnees and VCC confirmed the presence of three subordinate regiments of the 620th Division in south-central Quang Tin.

5. Enemy capabilities increased this month in the I CTZ. The VC are capable of attacking in greater than regimental strength in the 11th DTA, and in the 12th DTA, at a time and place of their choosing.

D. Revolutionary Development.

1. Significant progress was made in the National Priority Area, Quang Nam Province, during June. A total of ten self-help projects are between 50-100% completed. These ten projects are composed of 92 separate construction programs for wells, culverts, and markets. Clearing operations began in the Phase II Area during June and three new Rural Construction Cadre Groups will begin work in this area the first week in July. Of special significance is the civic action project at Ha Thanh hamlet in Dien Ban District. At the request of village, district, and province officials, B Company, 104th Engineer Battalion, assisted the villagers in rebuilding a coffer dam to provide water for irrigation of rice throughout the Phase I Area. Without the dam the rice crop would have been a complete loss.

2. Quang Ngai and Quang Tin Provinces made some progress; however, they remain behind schedule. Improvement is expected in July as a result of greater political stability.

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3. In the northern two provinces of Quang Tri and Thua Thien, however, no significant progress was made during June as a result of the political unrest. At the end of the month the political situation had returned almost to normal and cadre had returned to duty.

E. PsyOps/CA.

1. In the 11th DTA the political situation prior to 20 June precluded any psywar activity against the enemy. After 20 June the Chieu Hoi campaign was renewed and exploited. On 25 June a rallier from the 1st VC Sniper Company made tapes for broadcast on airborne speakers, and signed a leaflet which was dropped on his unit.

2. In the 12th DTA the joint USA/ARVN/USMC PsyWar Coordination Center increased its efforts to insure more complete coverage and avoid duplication in the psywar campaigns.

3. Thirteen million leaflets were dropped in June compared to 12.7 million in May. Leaflets were primarily Chieu Hoi and NVA type. The Quy-Chanh rate was 76 compared with 77 in May. Production of printed media increased from 2.9 million to 6.6 million.

4. Many of the vacant positions resulting from the political upheaval in May were filled in June. Initial evaluation of these replacements indicate that they are professionally competent and highly motivated.

F. Personnel. Personnel strength continues to remain a problem at battalion level. Recent I Corps dissemination of an RVNAF Decree, Law #15/66 concerning desertion control, should correct this most significant and wasteful cause of understrength. Morale generally improved with the cessation of political turmoil.

1. A comparison of RF/PF personnel losses versus VC losses during June showed a favorable ratio with 109 RF/PF KIA and 205 VC KIA. RF/PF also suffered 118 WIA and 43 MIA while capturing 33 VC. Weapons and equipment losses were unfavorable. The RF/PF lost 97 individual weapons, 1 60mm mortar, and 2 AN/PRC-10 radios compared with 51 individual weapons and 31 automatic weapons captured from the VC.

2. Disloyalty or failure to support the government during the recent Struggle Forces movement resulted in the replacement of numerous key personnel. In addition, security investigations resulted in the relocation of 399 personnel within Thua Thien and Quang Nam Sectors. Investigations continue in Quang Tri, Quang Tin, and Quang Ngai. It is anticipated that upon conclusion of these investigations certain personnel will be relocated.

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3. During the month of June, 28 PF platoons totalling 896 soldiers completed MIP training. Although there was no MIP training in the Thua Thien Sector due to the political unrest, seven platoons are scheduled to commence training on 4 July. The I Corps cumulative total of MIP trained PF soldiers is 4,940..

4. PF refresher training was cancelled at the Dong Ha Training Center due to the shortage of gasoline needed to transport personnel. Plans have been made to conduct two courses concurrently beginning 7 July 1966.

5. All RF/PF training came to a standstill in Thua Thien Sector as a result of the political turmoil and the police action which followed. The training center is scheduled to become fully operational on 4 July.

6. Approximately 13,550 pounds of foodstuffs, 1500 classroom kits, 2000 school kits, 170 wood working kits, 9 masonry kits, 30 recreation kits, and 110 pounds of clothing were distributed to widows and dependents of deceased RF/PF soldiers and to disabled veterans.

H. Logistics. The logistics situation in the Corps area improved during the month of June. Although political unrest in Hue interrupted resupply to the 11th DTA during the first two weeks of June, resupply operations were expedited during the last two weeks.

1. Truck convoy provided the principal means of resupply, with limited resupply by air. The railroad was not available for resupply operations in June, initially because of the political turmoil and in late June because the railroad was cut by VC action. Effective convoy resupply operations to the 12th DTA were decreased in late June as a result of bridge and road damage caused by VC action. Arrangements were made for additional resupply to the 12th DTA by ship.

2. A shortage of 12-volt batteries continued throughout the Corps. Over 1,000 12-volt batteries are due-out in I ALC.

3. Although stock levels in areas outside of Danang remained low, resupply operations planned for July will alleviate this situation. Class I supplies available in Danang are below safety levels and resupply from Saigon is required.

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SECRETI. Engineer.

1. VC activity against roads and bridges decreased to 12 incidents during June compared to 20 last month. The ARVN reaction time to effect repair continued to be excellent, enabling Highway 1 to be trafficable from the DMZ to Mo Duc 80% of the month.

2. There were three VC incidents directed against the railroad this month and the line between Danang and Hue was open 83% of the time.

3. The lack of adequate road maintenance funds assigned to Public Works District Engineer resulted in continued deterioration of the national highway road net. Correspondence outlining the problem has been forwarded through ARVN, US Military, USAID, and Public Works channels with no apparent effect to date.

4. The 103d and 104th Engineer Battalions have not received an initial issue of major engineer items. This lack of equipment adversely effects the Corps Engineer's construction capability.

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PART THREECHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS

- 1 June - Operation BEAVER initiated
- 6 June - Operation APACHE initiated
- 8 June - Operation RENO terminated
- 9 June - Operation BEAVER terminated
Operation FLORIDA initiated
- 12 June - Operation APACHE terminated
- 15 June - Significant Reconnaissance platoon contact
- 17 June - Operation DODGE initiated
- 23 June - Operation DODGE terminated
- 25 June - Operation ATHENS terminated
- 26 June - III MAF CP established East Danang
- 29 June - Operation OAKLAND initiated
- 30 June - Operation JAY continued

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CHRONOLOGY OF VIP VISITS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>BILLET</u>
1-3Jun66	C. A. YOUNGDALE	MGen.	Logistics Study Group
1-3Jun66	Robert R. WOODING	RAdm.	USN, OICC
6Jun66	John A. HEINTGES	LtGen.	Deputy COMUSMACV
7Jun66	Armond G. CONROY	BGen.	Cmdr. Western Area Military Traffic Management and Terminal Service.
9-12Jun66	Michael P. RYAN	BGen.	CG, Ninth MAB
9Jun66	A. E. COWAN	BGen.	Director Joint Research and Test Activities
12Jun66	Walter E. LOTZ Jr.	BGen.	MACJ-6
12Jun66	Harry A. FRENCH	BGen.	CINCPAC J-6
13Jun66	Norvel G. WARD	RAdm.	CNFV/CHNAG
14Jun66	William C. WESTMORELAND	Gen.	COMUSMACV
14Jun66	A. J. DE LA MARE	Mr.	Under Sec. of the British Foreign Office in Charge of Far East & Southeast Asia Affairs.
14Jun66	R.G.A. ETHERINGTON-SMITH	Mr.	British Ambassador to RVN
15-16Jun66	Roy L. JOHNSON	Adm.	CINCPACFLT
16Jun66	Hunter HARRIS	Gen.	CG, PACAF
16-17Jun66	James F. COLLINS	Gen.(Retd)	President American National Red Cross
16-17Jun66	Robert LEWIS	Mr.	Vice President American National Red Cross
16-17Jun66	H. McCULLOHS	Mr.	Dir of Red Cross Operations in RVN
21Jun66	John A. HEINTGES	LtGen.	Deputy COMUSMACV

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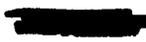
<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>BILLET</u>
21-22Jun66	Calvin THIELMAN	Rev.	Minister to the Montreat Presbyterian Church, Chaplain to the Montreat Anderson College, Montreat, N. C.
21-22Jun66	Daniel LYONS	Rev.	Professor Gonzaga University, Spokane, Washington.
22-23Jun66	Whiting WILLAUER	Mrs.	International Rescue Commission
27Jun66	Joseph A. McCHRISTIAN	BGen.	MACV J-2
28Jun66	John Malcomb FRASER	Mr.	Member of Parliament and Australian Minister for the Army
29Jun66	William E. LEMOS	RAdm.	In-coming Director, Far East Region, OASD (ISA)
30Jun66	D. W. WULZEN	RAdm.	CTF 76

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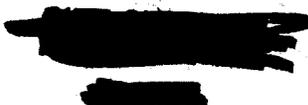

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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SECRETPART FOURREFERENCES

- (A) 3d Marine Division Command Chronology, June 1966.
- (B) 1st Marine Division Command Chronology, June 1966.
- (C) 1st Marine Aircraft Wing Command Chronology, June 1966.
- (D) Force Logistic Command Chronology, June 1966.

ENCLOSURES

- (1) ✓ Force Order 1300.1, with change 1.
- (2) ✓ Force Bulletin 4066
- (3) - 7th Engineer Battalion (-) Rein Command Chronology, June 1966.
- (4) - 5th Communications Battalion Command Chronology, June 1966.
- (5) ✓ 9th Motor Transport Battalion Command Chronology, June 1966.
- (6) ✓ 9th Engineer Battalion Command Chronology, June 1966.
- (7) . 1st Sentry Dog Platoon, Monthly Report of Activities for June 1966.
- (8) ✓ 1st Marine Corps Scout Dog Platoon Monthly Report of Activities for June 1966.

Added:

(9) III MAF VC/NVA Order of Battle, I Corps Area 1 Jun 1966

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3 June 1966

FORCE ORDER 1300.1, w/c 4 #1

From: Commanding General
To: Distribution List

Subj: Leave in Conjunction with Voluntary Extensions of Overseas Tour

Ref: (a) FMFPacO 1300.9C
(b) FMFPacO P1000.3E
(c) MCO 5512.4F
(d) BUMED INST 6230.1D

Encl: (1) Authorized Leave Areas and Passport and Visa Requirements
(2) Area Clearance Form

1. Purpose. To amplify on existing directives relating to authorized leave in connection with extension of overseas tours.

2. Background. Effective with the promulgation of reference (a), a new policy was placed into effect, authorizing the granting of leave in WESTPAC in connection with extension of overseas tours beyond the normal thirteen month tour.

3. Information

a. The following commanders have been authorized by reference (a) to grant leave associated with an overseas extension:

- (1) Commanding General, III Marine Amphibious Force
- (2) Commanding General, 1st Marine Division
- (3) Commanding General, 3d Marine Division
- (4) Commanding General, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing
- (5) Commanding Officer, Force Logistic Command

b. Leave granted in accordance with the provisions of reference (a) within WESTPAC will be based upon 2½ days leave for each month extended. Maximum leave authorized is 30 days. Leave will normally be taken during the month of original RTD. The provisions of this order may be applied to extensions previously administered as long as the original RTD was during or after the month of March 1966.

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c. Reference (a) specifies that leave will be granted in accordance with paragraph 6000.3 of reference (b), quoted as follows:

"Leave to visit outside the United States:

a. With respect to authority to grant leave to visit outside the United States, paragraph 9151.11 MCPM is not intended to preclude the normal granting of leave to those Marines permanently stationed on foreign duty who:

(1) Take leave within the country in which stationed.

(2) Take leave in other countries within the same general geographical area under the cognizance of the operational commander and subject to such regulations as may be established.

NOTE: In these cases, area clearances, if required by the cognizant area commander will be obtained. In addition, a copy of the leave request and authorization will be furnished to the nearest District or Area Intelligence Officer. Disapproved requests need not be furnished.

b. Regardless of where stationed, personnel who desire to take leave in foreign countries under conditions other than those prescribed in this Order, will be governed by paragraph 9151.11 MCPM."

4. Interpretation

a. In-country Leave. Leave may only be taken in Vietnam as authorized by currently existing policy of COMUSMACV and with prior approval of the Area Coordinator. If given such approval, upon arrival in the area concerned, the individual must report to the Area Coordinator and advise him of his leave address and proposed length of stay. The coordinator will brief the individual on travel and other restrictions currently effective in his area.

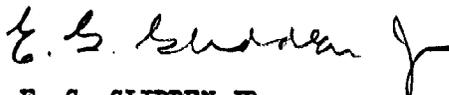
b. Out-of-country Leave. Leave in accordance with this program, and without GMC approval, is authorized in the locations listed in enclosure (1).

5. Passport and Visa Requirements. This information is contained in enclosure (1).

6. Area Clearance. Personnel desiring to visit Japan in a leave status are required to obtain entry approval from COMNAVFORJAPAN. Past experience has indicated that entry clearance has always been granted, therefore in the interest of reduction of paperwork, all leave authorization will include the following, "Entry clearance to Japan is assumed unless otherwise advised by COMNAVFORJAPAN". This is in effect a blanket clearance. Units will, however, utilize enclosure (2) to notify COMNAVFORJAPAN of the names of personnel requesting area clearance. This notification should be forwarded 10 days in advance of leave granted.

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7. Immunizations. Immunizations requirements are the same as for RVN. These must be carefully checked prior to release on leave. In accordance with reference (d) all of the authorized leave areas are in Area CT which require the following: smallpox, typhoid-paratyphoid, tetanus-diphtheria, oral poliovivous vaccine, influenza, cholera and typhus.
8. Transportation. Space available travel on MAC or operational aircraft may be used, with a Class III priority. Individuals must, however, have sufficient funds to reach their destination and return via commercial transportation. R&R transportation cannot be utilized for leave purposes.
9. Commencement and termination. Leave commences and terminates at duty station in accordance with paragraph 9202, Marine Corps Personnel Manual.



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Enclosure (1)

AUTHORIZED LEAVE AREAS AND PASSPORT AND VISA REQUIREMENTS

1. Passport Requirements for Authorized Leave Areas. Members of US Armed Forces taking ordinary leave to countries authorized for ordinary leave must comply with entry and exit regulations. Personnel will not be allowed to depart on ordinary leave to the below listed countries until they have complied with the appropriate passport and visa requirements.

DESTINATION	TYPE TRANS	CLOTHING	LEAVE ORDERS	PASSPORT	VISA
Hong Kong	Com or Mil	Mil	Yes	No	No (1)
	Com or Mil	Civ	Yes	Yes	No (1)
Japan	Com or Mil	Mil or Civ	Yes	No	No
Malaysia (Penang & Kuala Lumpur)	Com or Mil	Mil or Civ	Yes	Yes	No
Okinawa	Com or Mil	Mil or Civ	Yes NO <i>4-1 JK</i>	Yes	No
Philippines	Com or Mil	Mil or Civ	Yes	Yes (2)	Yes (3)
Singapore	Com or Mil	Mil or Civ	Yes	Yes	No
Thailand	Com	Mil or Civ	Yes	Yes	No
	Mil	Mil	Yes	Yes	No
Taiwan	Com	Civ	Yes	Yes	Yes
	Mil	Mil	Yes	No	No

- (1) If leave is in excess of seven days, visa is required.
- (2) Includes Philippine Nationals in US Armed Forces.
- (3) Philippine visa required and may be obtained at the Philippine Embassy if the port of entry is Manila International Airport. If port of entry is Clark Air Force Base, about three weeks is required to obtain visa; and there is a 1,000 VN\$ cable fee charge.

2. Procedures for Obtaining Passport

a. Passports may be obtained from the US Embassy by application to the Consular Section at 4 Dai Lo Thong Nhut (Norodom Compound), Saigon. From one day to one week, exclusive of Saturday afternoon, Sunday, and Vietnamese and US holidays, may be required to process applications. The following documentation must be presented to the Consular Section to obtain a passport:

- (1) Three passport photographs 2 $\frac{1}{2}$ x2 $\frac{1}{2}$ inches.
- (2) Valid leave orders specifying the country for which leave has been approved.

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(3) One copy of Passport Application Form (Department of State Form FS-176) with all applicable questions completed. This application must be signed under oath before a consular officer or before an officer authorized to give oaths and whose signature is on file at the Consular Section of the American Embassy.

(4) American citizenship documentation, which must be presented in one of the following forms:

(a) Original copy of birth certificate (Copy issued by office of record).

(b) Baptismal Certificate (if baptism was performed within 2 months of birth).

(c) Written statement signed under oath of two persons having personal knowledge of the applicant's birth.

(5) \$10.00 Passport Fee.

b. A temporary passport (good for 4 months and not renewable without presenting a birth certificate) can be obtained under emergency conditions by submitting the documentation outlined in paragraphs a(1), (2), (3), and (5), accompanied by an official statement signed by the unit adjutant or personnel officer certifying that the individual is a US citizen, to include the city and state in which the individual was born and date of birth.

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AREA CLEARANCE FORM

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SPEEDLETTER

From:
To: Commander U. S. Naval Forces, Japan
Ref: (a) FMFPACO 1300.9C
(b) MACV Directive 630.3

In accordance with references (a) and (b) you are notified that permission is granted below listed personnel to visit Japan in a leave status during the periods indicated. Personnel have been advised to comply with pertinent instructions contained in references (a) and (b) and that immunizations are required. Entry clearance to Japan is assumed unless otherwise advised by COMNAVFORJAPAN.

NAME, RANK/RATE, FILE/SERVICE NO.

PERIOD OF VISIT

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FORCE ORDER 1300.1 CH 1

From: Commanding General
To: Distribution List

Subj: Leave in Conjunction with Voluntary Extensions of Overseas Tour

1. Purpose. To publish a change to the basic Order.
2. Action. In the chart in paragraph 1 of enclosure (1) change the word "Yes" under PASSPORT for Okinawa to "No".

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FORCE BULLETIN 4066

From: Commanding General
 To: Distribution List

Subj: Marine Corps Exchange Mail Order Program

Refs: (a) FMFPacO 4066.1

1. Purpose. To provide information on the distribution of catalogs and order-blanks to support subject program.
2. Information. Marine Corps Air Station, El Toro, will provide year-round mail-order service to personnel stationed in WESTPAC units. Copies of the 1966 El Toro Mail Order Catalog to support this program have been forwarded to this Headquarters. The catalog will continue in effect throughout the year. A supplementary catalog will be published in September to broaden the selection of gifts for the Christmas season only.
3. Action
 - a. This Headquarters will forward catalogs as soon as received to major subordinate commands for further distribution to their subordinate units. Basis of distribution is one per 20 Marines.
 - b. This Headquarters will distribute order-blanks on a proportionate share basis to major subordinate commands. Additional order-blanks may be reproduced locally or requested directly from Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific.
 - c. Commands participating in the program will be guided by the instructions contained in the Mail Order Catalog and reference (a).
 - d. All commands will ensure widest dissemination of information concerning this program.
4. Self-cancellation. 31 December 1966.

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MILITARY ASSISTANCE COMMAND, VIETNAM
FPO SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA 96602

1 JUNE 1966

III MAF VC/NVA ORDER OF BATTLE, I CORPS AREAPART I

<u>A. CONFIRMED UNITS.</u>	<u>NUMBER</u>	<u>STRENGTH</u>
DIVISIONS (HDQ)	1	100
REGIMENTS (HDQ)	4	1,800
BATTALIONS	27*	11,670
SEPARATE COMPANIES	32	3,120
TOTAL STRENGTH		16,690
 <u>B. PROBABLE UNITS.</u>		
DIVISIONS (HDQ)	0	---
REGIMENTS (HDQ)	0	---
BATTALIONS	8	3,000
SEPARATE COMPANIES	5	595
TOTAL STRENGTH		3,595
 <u>C. POSSIBLE UNITS.</u>		
DIVISIONS (HDQ)	0	---
REGIMENTS (HDQ)	1	700
BATTALIONS	15**	4,910
SEPARATE COMPANIES	4	405
TOTAL STRENGTH		6,015
 D. MILITARY REGION 5/NORTHERN SUB-REGION HDQ. STRENGTH.		800
 E. ESTIMATED GUERRILLA STRENGTH IN THE I CORPS AREA.		15,000
 F. GRAND TOTAL VC/NVA/GUERRILLA STRENGTH, I CORPS AREA.		42,105

* INCLUDES TWO (2) WEAPONS SUPPORT BATTALIONS AND TWO (2) TRANSPORT BATTALIONS.

** INCLUDES FOUR (4) U/I SUPPORT BATTALIONS.

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PART II

QUANG TRI PROVINCE

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>CAT.</u>	<u>STR</u>	<u>ACCEPTED LOCATION</u>	<u>LAST RPTD LOCATION</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>SOURCE</u>
6TH REGT HDQ. (NVA)	C	300	YD2843	YD2843	16APR66	(1)(4)(8)
806TH BN () (NVA)	C	400	YD3540	YD3241	11MAR66	(1)(4)(8)
808TH BN (NVA)	C	500	YD3540	YD3660	23FEB66	(1)(4)(8)
812TH BN (NVA) (SEE NOTE #1)	C	500	YD4143	YD6005	12MAY66	(1)(4)(8)
1ST MOBILE REGT HDQ	PO	200(EST)	YD5827	YD4724	22FEB66	(4)(8)(10)
7TH BN (SEE NOTE #2)	PR	400	YD1030	BA LONG DIST.	1DEC65	(4)(8)
8TH BN (SEE NOTE #2)	PR	400	UNLOC	QUANG TRI PROV.	1DEC65	(4)(8)
803RD BN (LF)	PO	230	YD0935	YD7906	12FEB66	(1)(4)(9)
K.3 CO (MF)	C	100	YD0220	YD0220	DEC65	(1)(4)
G.55 CO (MF)	C	75	TRIEU PHONG DIST.	TRIEU PHONG DIST.	DEC65	(1)(4)(8)
TRIEU PHONG CO (LF)	C	80	YD2245	TRIEU PHONG DIST.	1FEB66	(1)(4)(8)
HAI LONG 5 CO (LF)	C	80	YD3244	YD3244	17JAN66	(1)(4)(8)
G.10 CO (MF)	PR	120	YD3338	YD3338	12OCT65	(1)(8)

THUA THIEN PROVINCE

NORTHERN SUB-REGION HDQ	C	150	YD4724	YD4723	4JAN66	(1)(4)(8)
95TH "B" REGT (NVA) HDQ	C	500	THUA THIEN PROV.	YD5084	10MAR66	(1)(2)(4)(8)
4TH BN. 95TH "B" REGT	C	500	THUA THIEN PROV.	YD5084	10MAR66	(1)(2)(4)(8)
5TH BN. 95TH "B" REGT	C	500	THUA THIEN PROV.	YD5084	10MAR66	(1)(2)(4)(8)
6TH BN. 95TH "B" REGT	C	500	THUA THIEN PROV.	YD5084	10MAR66	(1)(2)(4)(8)

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800TH BN (MF)	C	300	YD5925	YD5929	26FEB66	(1)(4)(6)(10)
802ND BN (MF)	C	400	YD6318	YD6318	24MAY66	(1)(4)(6)(10)
804TH BN (MF)	C	400	YD5925	YD9500	7MAY66	(1)(4)(6)(10)
810TH BN (LF)	C	300	ZC0592	ZC0592	APR66	(1)(4)(6)(10)
K.41 CO (MF)	C	95	YD8402	YD8404	4MAR66	(1)(4)
K.105 CO (MF)	C	90	YD4120	YD4120	1DEC65	(1)(4)(8)
QUANG DIEN CO (LF)	C	100	YD6530	YD5124	1DEC65	(1)(4)(8)
HUONG THUY CO (MF)	PR	50	YD8009	YD8620	21DEC65	(1)(4)(10)
HUONG TRA CO (MF)	PR	100	YD7512	YD7910	11FEB66	(1)(4)(10)
8TH TRANSPORT CO	PO	55	PHONG DIEN DIST.	BA LONG VALLEY	17NOV65	(1)(4)(8)(10)
THUA THIEN PROV. CO.(LF)	PO	90	YD9102	YC6796	18DEC65	(1)(4)
C.117 CO (LF)	PO	120	PHU VANG DIST.	PHU VANG DIST.	1DEC65	(4)

QUANG NAM PROVINCE

BINH SON TRANS BN (MF)	C	240 W/ 1000 LABORERS	YC6035	YC6035	31DEC65	(1)(4)
303RD BN (MF)	C	250	YC6030	YC6035	31OCT65	(1)(4)
CHU DUNG BN (MF)	C	300	AT9538	AT9733	31DEC65	(1)(4)
R.20 BN HDQ (LF)	C	150	AT9354	AT8855	25MAY66	(1)(2)(4)(6)
R.21 CO. (LF)	C	100	AT9254	AT9265	12MAY66	(1)(2)(4)(6)
R.22 CO. (LF)	C	120	AT9762	AT9059	18MAY66	(1)(2)(4)(6)
R.23 CO. (LF)	C	120	AT9863	AT9862	31DEC65	(1)(2)(4)(6)
R.24 CO. (LF)	C	120	AT8859	AT9455	12MAY66	(1)(2)(4)(6)
70TH BN (MF)	C	500	AT9448	AT9630	22MAY66	(1)(2)(4)(6)

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U/I BN (LF)	PR	300	BT0764	BT1165	1OCT65	(2)
51ST BN (LF)	PR	300	AT9089	ZC2080	3MAY66	(2)(4)(6)
5TH BN (MF)	PR	400	AT8753	AT8655	22MAY66	(2)(4)(6)
5TH REGT HDQ	PO	200(EST)	QUE SON DIST.	QUE SON DIST.	16FEB66	(2)(4)(8)
2ND BN. 5TH REGT	PO	300	AT9556	BT0365	14MAY66	(2)(4)
3RD BN. 5TH REGT	PR	400	AT8737	AT9528	13MAY66	(2)(4)(6)
23RD BN.	PO	500	BT0162	BT1262	26MAR66	(3)(4)
1ST VOL. BN.	PO	200	AT9553	AT9960	5FEB66	(2)(4)
QUE SON CO (LF)	C	110	BT0132	BT1342	31DEC65	(1)(4)(6)
DIEN BAN CO (LF)	C	120	BT0355	AT9655	28APR66	(1)(4)(6)
HOA HIEU CO (LF)	C	120	AT9166	AT9669	9FEB66	(1)(4)(6)
DUY XUYEN CO (LF)	C	120	BT0152	BT1452	24JAN66	(1)(4)(6)(10)
THUONG NHAT CO (LF)	C	60	ZC0147	ZC0147	24DEC65	(1)
DAI LOC CO (LF)	C	70	AT8551	AT8447	19FEB66	(1)(4)(6)
H.31 CO (LF)	PR	125	ZC1754	ZC1455	31DEC65	(1)(4)(6)
H.54 CO (LF)	PR	200	AT8658	AT8465	23JAN66	(4)(6)(8)
278TH SAPPER CO (MF)	PO	140	AT8480	AT8667	31DEC65	(3)(6)(8)
<u>QUANG TIN PROVINCE</u>						
620TH DIV. HDQ. (NVA)	C	100	QUANG TIN PROV.	QUANG TIN PROV.	26APR66	(1)
21ST REGT HDQ (NVA) (SEE NOTE #3)	C	200	QUANG TIN PROV.	BS5484	20APR66	(1)(2)(4)(8)
1ST BN. 21ST REGT	C	600	QUANG TIN PROV.	BS7282	23MAR66	(1)(2)(4)(8)
2ND BN. 21ST REGT	C	600	QUANG TIN PROV.	BS6593	16MAY66	(1)(2)(4)(8)

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3RD BN. 21ST REGT	C	600	QUANG TIN PROV.	BS5480	19MAY66	(1)(2)(4)(8)
1ST VC REGT HDQ. (SEE NOTE # 4)	C	800	QUANG TIN/ QUANG NGAI PROV.	BS4677	19MAY66	(1)(2)(4)(5)(6) (8)
60TH BN (MF)	C	400	QUANG TIN/ QUANG NGAI PROV.	BT0632	22MAY66	(1)(2)(4)(5)(6) (8)
80TH BN (MF)	C	400	QUANG TIN/ QUANG NGAI PROV.	BS5380	28APR66	(1)(2)(4)(5)(6) (8)
90TH BN (MF)	C	400	QUANG TIN/ QUANG NGAI PROV.	BS7482	25MAY66	(1)(2)(4)(5)(6) (8)
31ST REGT (NVA)	PO	200	QUANG TIN/ QUANG NGAI PROV.	BT1825	12JAN66	(1)(4)
U/I BN (NVA)	PO	600	QUANG TIN/ QUANG NGAI PROV.	-----	-----	(1)
U/I BN (NVA)	PO	600	QUANG TIN/ QUANG NGAI PROV.	-----	-----	(1)
U/I BN (NVA)	PO	600	QUANG TIN/ QUANG NGAI PROV.	-----	-----	(1)
RQ 20 BN (NVA) (SEE NOTE# 5)	PO	400	QUANG TIN/ QUANG NGAI PROV.	-----	-----	(1)
RQ 21 BN AA (NVA) (SEE NOTE# 6)	C	400	QUANG TIN/ QUANG NGAI PROV.	BS5883	14MAY66	(1)(2)(4)(6)(8)
RQ 22 BN (NVA) (SEE NOTE# 7)	PO	400	QUANG TIN PROV.	-----	-----	(1)
RQ 23 BN (NVA) (SEE NOTE # 8)	C	400	QUANG TIN PROV.	-----	-----	(1)

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RQ 24 BN (NVA) (SEE NOTE# 9)	PO	200	QUANG TIN PROV.	-----	-----	(1)
NAM SON TRANS BN (MF)	C	700	ZB1097	ZB0997	24OCT65	(1)(4)
49TH BN (MF)	PR	500	THANG BINH DIST.	BT0733	22MAY66	(4)
108TH REGT HDQ	PO	100	BS3300	BT0730	7JAN66	(4)
72ND BN (LF) (SEE NOTE# 10)	PO	300	BT2224	BT2026	22MAY66	(4)(5)
A-10 CO (LF)	C	150	BT1536	BT2739	FEB66	(1)(4)
A-13 CO (LF)	C	150	BT1017	BT1510	FEB66	(1)(4)
A-16 CO (LF)	C	120	BT1516	BT2520	28MAR66	(1)(4)(5)
A-19 CO (LF)	C	140	BT3411	BT3812	FEB66	(1)(4)
A-21 CO (LF)	C	100	BT3315	BT3416	FEB66	(1)(4)
A-34 CO (LF)	C	40	BT0303	AS9596	24OCT65	(1)(4)
TRA SON CO (LF)	C	50	AS8799	AS8799	24OCT65	(1)
TRA HA CO (LF)	C	40	BS1499	BS1499	24OCT65	(1)
<u>QUANG NGAI PROVINCE</u>						
MR-5 HDQ	C	650	BS1275	BS1294	25FEB66	(1)(4)(10)
45TH WENS SPT BN HDQ (MF)	C	500	BS1275	BS1490	3JAN66	(1)(2)(4)
		EST				
200TH BN (MF)	C	400	BS2864	BS3361	21MAY66	(1)(2)(4)
38TH BN (LF)	C	400	BS5262	BS6950	25MAY66	(1)(4)(8)
52ND BN (LF)	C	270	BS7090	BS7484	5MAY66	(1)(4)
104TH BN (LF)	PR	300	BS6692	BS6693	12MAY66	(4)
48TH BN (LF)	PO	400	BS7754	BS7755	25MAY66	(1)(4)
109TH BN (LF)	PO	300	BS7283	BS6769	11JAN66	(3)(4)

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307TH BN (LF)	PO	380	BS5477	BS7378	24MAR66	(4)
89B CO (LF)	C	90	BS5863	BS5657	24OCT65	(1)(4)
96TH CO (LF)	C	100	BS5053	BS5860	21MAY66	(1)(4)
206TH CO (LF)	C	100	BS5770	BS5770	24MAY66	(1)(4)
614TH CO (LF)	C	120	BS3065	BS3764	24FEB66	(1)(4)
C.17TH CO (LF)	C	140	BS7055	BS6955	25MAY66	(1)(4)
C.212TH CO (LF)	C	100	BS6136	BS5132	10NOV65	(1)(4)
C.219TH CO (LF)	C	100	BS8125	BS8359	20MAY66	(1)(4)
T.18 CO (LF)	C	60	BS6887	BS7483	23MAY66	(1)(4)
T.19 CO (LF)	C	120	BS5784	BS5397	24OCT65	(1)(4)
T.20 CO. (LF)	C	100	BS5082	BS5775	28APR66	(1)(4)
TRA BONG CO (LF)	C	80	BS3190	BS3190	24OCT65	(1)(4)

SOURCE KEY:

- (1) COMUSMACV
- (2) III MAF
- (3) I CORPS (US)
- (4) I CORPS (ARVN)
- (5) 1ST MAR DIV
- (6) 3RD MAR DIV
- (7) 1ST MAW
- (8) INTERROGATION REPORTS
- (9) JOINT GENERAL STAFF (RVNAF)
- (10) SMIAT
- (11) II CORPS (US)

- (C) CONFIRMED
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NOTES:

- NOTE # 1. THE 812TH BATTALION (NVA) HAS BEEN ACCEPTED AS THE 3RD BATTALION OF THE 6TH REGIMENT (NVA).
- NOTE # 2. THE 7TH AND 8TH BATTALIONS HAVE NOT BEEN CONTACTED SINCE DECEMBER 1965. IF NO CONTACT IS MADE DURING JUNE THESE UNITS WILL BE DROPPED FROM THE III MAF COB. THE POSSIBILITY EXISTS THAT THESE TWO (2) UNITS WERE USED AS REPLACEMENTS FOR THE EXISTING UNITS IN QUANG TRI AND THUA THIEN PROVINCES.
- NOTE # 3. RECENT REPORTS AND DOCUMENTS INDICATE THAT THE 21ST REGIMENT (NVA) AKA (6TH AND 36TH) IS NOW LOCATED IN QUANG TIN PROVINCE. WHILE NO FIRM INTELLIGENCE IS AVAILABLE AS TO THE EXACT LOCATION OF THIS REGIMENT IT IS BELIEVED TO BE LOCATED IN THE AREAS OF NORTHWESTERN TAM KY DISTRICT, NORTHERN TIEN PHUOC DISTRICT, EASTERN HIEP DUC DISTRICT AND POSSIBLE ELEMENTS MAY BE LOCATED IN SOUTHERN QUE SON DISTRICT OF QUANG NAM PROVINCE.
- NOTE # 4. THE 1ST VC REGIMENT IS CARRIED AS UNLOCATED IN THE QUANG TIN/QUANG NGAI BORDER AREA. DOCUMENTS CAPTURED AT BS7194 ON 26 MAY INDICATE THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE 1ST VC REGIMENT MAY HAVE OR BE IN THE PROCESS OF MOVING NORTH TO QUANG TIN PROVINCE.
- NOTE # 5. THE RQ 20 BATTALION IS CARRIED AS AN UNIDENTIFIED SUPPORT BATTALION SUBORDINATE TO THE 620TH DIVISION (NVA).
- NOTE # 6. THE RQ 21 BATTALION AKA (195TH AA BATTALION) IS CARRIED AS UNLOCATED IN THE QUANG TIN/QUANG NGAI BORDER AREA. IT IS ASSUMED THAT THIS BATTALION WILL MOVE WITH THE 21ST REGIMENT AND THE 1ST VC REGIMENT.
- NOTE # 7. THE RQ 22 BATTALION IS CARRIED AS AN UNIDENTIFIED SUPPORT BATTALION SUBORDINATE TO THE 620TH DIVISION (NVA).
- NOTE # 8. THE RQ 23 BATTALION IS CARRIED AS A 120MM MORTAR BATTALION SUBORDINATE TO THE 620TH DIVISION (NVA).
- NOTE # 9. THE RQ 24 BATTALION IS CARRIED AS A POSSIBLE ENGINEER BATTALION SUBORDINATE TO THE 620TH DIVISION (NVA).
- NOTE # 10. THE 72ND BATTALION IS BELIEVED TO HAVE BEEN FORMED BY THE A-16, A-19 AND A-21 LOCAL FORCE COMPANIES. REPORTS RECEIVED AS EARLY AS JANUARY AND FEBRUARY 1966 INDICATED THESE COMPANIES WOULD FORM A PROVINCE LOCAL FORCE BATTALION.

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