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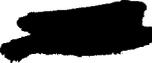
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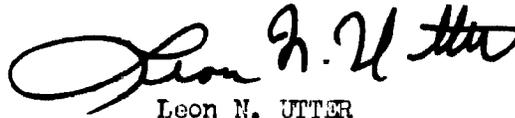
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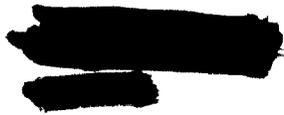


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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1 September 1970 - 30 September 1970

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

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DESIGNATION

COMMANDER

III Marine Amphibious Force

Lieutenant General Keith B. McCUTCHEON
U. S. Marine Corps
1-30Sep70

DEPUTY COMMANDER (GROUND)

Major General Charles F. WIDDECKE
U. S. Marine Corps
1-30Sep70

DEPUTY COMMANDER (AIR)

Major General Alan J. ARMSTRONG
U. S. Marine Corps
1-30Sep70

SUBORDINATE UNITS

1st Marine Division

Major General Charles F. WIDDECKE
U. S. Marine Corps
1-30Sep70

1st Marine Aircraft Wing

Major General Alan J. ARMSTRONG
U. S. Marine Corps
1-30Sep70

Force Logistic Command

Brigadier General Mauro J. PADALINO
U. S. Marine Corps
1-30Sep70

Combined Action Force

Colonel Ralph F. ESTEY
U. S. Marine Corps
1-26Sep70 (Deactivated)

2nd Combined Action Group

Lieutenant Colonel John J. TOLNAY
U. S. Marine Corps
27-30Sep70

5th Communication Battalion

Lieutenant Colonel Dale E. SHATZER
U. S. Marine Corps
1-17Sep70

Major Gerald F. BAKER
U. S. Marine Corps Reserve
18-30Sep70



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Commanding Officer
Headquarters III Marine
Amphibious Force
Headquarters Commandant

Lieutenant Colonel James C. KLINEDINST
U. S. Marine Corps
1-30Sep70

ATTACHED UNITS

2. LOCATION. 1-30 September 1970, Northwest Danang, Quang Nam Province, Republic of Vietnam.

3. STAFF OFFICER

Chief of Staff

Brigadier General Thomas H. MILLER, Jr.
U. S. Marine Corps
1-30Sep70

Deputy Chief of Staff

Colonel Sam A. DRESSIN
U. S. Marine Corps
1-2Sep70

Colonel Robert W. KERSEY
U. S. Marine Corps
3-27Sep70

Colonel Eugene H. HAFPEY
U. S. Marine Corps
28-30Sep70

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1

Colonel Lavern J. OLTMER
U. S. Marine Corps
1-30Sep70

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2

Colonel Forest J. HUNT
U. S. Marine Corps
1-30Sep70

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-3

Colonel Charles H. LUDDEN
U. S. Marine Corps
1-30Sep70

Deputy G-3

Colonel Leon N. UTTER
U. S. Marine Corps
1-30Sep70

Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4

Colonel Allan T. WOOD
U. S. Marine Corps
1-30Sep70

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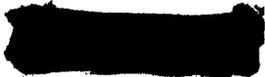
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Assistant Chief of Staff, G-5	Colonel Clifford J. PEABODY U. S. Marine Corps 1-4Sep70
	Major Donald E. SUDDUTH U. S. Marine Corps 5-30Sep70
Assistant Chief of Staff, G-6	Colonel Robert L. WILLIS U. S. Marine Corps 1-30Sep70
Force Supply Officer	Colonel Clarence H. SCHMID U. S. Marine Corps 1-30Sep70
Force Staff Judge Advocate	Colonel Daniel F. McCONNELL U. S. Marine Corps 1-30Sep70
Force Engineer Officer	Colonel Fredric O. OLSON U. S. Marine Corps 1-30Sep70
Force Adjutant	Major John F. ANGLI U. S. Marine Corps 1-25Sep70
	Captain James D. DEPIETRO U. S. Marine Corps 26-30Sep70
Officer in Charge, Command Center	Major Louis W. SULLIVAN U. S. Marine Corps 1-30Sep70
Force Chaplain	Captain Glen A. RADEMACHER U. S. Navy 1-30Sep70
Force Surgeon	Captain Harold P. PARISER U. S. Navy 1-30Sep70
Force Dental Officer	Captain Meredith H. MEAD U. S. Navy 1-16Sep70

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	Captain Frank D. GROSSMAN U. S. Navy 17-30Sep70
Staff Secretary	Lieutenant Colonel Carlo ROMANO U. S. Marine Corps 1-30Sep70
Protocol Officer	Major John E. CLEMENTS U. S. Marine Corps 1-30Sep70
Force Special Services Officer	Lieutenant Colonel Kenneth J. CLIFFORD U. S. Marine Corps Reserve 1-30Sep70
Force Public Affairs Officer	Captain George R. SCHIPPER U. S. Marine Corps 1-28Sep70
	Major Phillip T. ARMAN U. S. Marine Corps 29-30Sep70
USMC Liaison Officer, ROKMC	Lieutenant Colonel William L. THRELFALL U. S. Marine Corps 1-30Sep70
USMC Liaison Officer, MACV USMC Liaison Officer, 7th AF	Colonel Lewis C. STREET III U. S. Marine Corps 1-30Sep70
USMC Liaison Officer XXIV Corps	Lieutenant Colonel Russell E. WILTSIE U. S. Marine Corps 1-30Sep70

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4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

a. III MARINE AMPHIBIOUS FORCE HEADQUARTERS

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	<u>OFFICERS</u>		<u>ENLISTED</u>	
	USMC	USN	USMC	USN
FORCE HQS, III MAF	105	8	253	6
*CAF	26	2	782	53
2ND CAG	15	2	624	51
1ST RADIO BN (-)	18	0	228	14
	164	12	1887	124

b. III MARINE AMPHIBIOUS FORCE

<u>OFFICERS</u>		<u>ENLISTED</u>	
USMC	USN	USMC	USN
2297	175	29607	1149

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*CAF DEACTIVATED ON THE 26TH OF SEPTEMBER 1970.

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a. GENERAL. Lieutenant General William K. JONES, Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific, visited III MAF on 3 and 4 September 1970. General JONES was greeted by Lieutenant General Keith B. MCCUTCHEON and briefed on the current tactical situation in Military Region I. During September 1970, III Marine Amphibious Force was located in northwest Danang, Quang Nam Province, Republic of Vietnam. The average Marine/Navy personnel strength in Military Region I was 33,228, a decrease of 6,338 under the previous month.

b. ACTIVITIES. III Marine Amphibious Force continued to be guided by COMUSMACV Directive 10-11 dated 5 April 1970 and I ARVN/FWMAF ICTZ Combined Campaign Plan 1970 of 13 December 1969 in pursuit of its objective for September 1970.

2. OVERALL EVALUATION

a. Enemy initiated activity throughout the Marine's Tactical Zone during the month of September increased slightly from the preceding month but remained to be characterized by harrassing fire. Despite a slight increase in enemy activity, enemy KIA decreased to 140 as compared to 256 the previous month. While enemy terrorism incidents for the month remained equal to the number of incidents during August, VC propaganda activity increased to six reported incidents.

b. There were two major named operations conducted during the month of September 1970 and one continued from the previous month. Operation "NEBRASKA RAPIDS" commenced at 0630 hours on the morning of 5 September and terminated at 1200 hours on 8 September. CATEGORY II type operations were conducted by elements of the 7th Marines with negative results. At 0800 hours on 10 September, Operation "DUBOIS SQUARE" was commenced. 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines conducted CATEGORY III type operations resulting in 1 individual weapon captured. The operation was terminated at 1200 hours on 19 September. Operation "IMPERIAL LAKE" was continued through the month of September accounting for 30 enemy KIA and 27 individual weapons captured.

c. The number of mine and booby trap incidents decreased to 55 compared to 84 from the prior month. Mines and booby traps accounted for 7 Marines killed and 119 wounded, 107 of which required evacuation. These figures represent 47% of the total casualties suffered by Marine units during the month of September.

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SECRETPART IIISEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS DURING SEPTEMBER 1970.1. SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS

a. GENERAL. During the month of September 1970, one operation was continued from the preceding month and two major named operations commenced in Quang Nam Province of Military Region 1 by Marine units. Both operations that were commenced during September 1970 were terminated with minor results. Results of the operations for the month are listed below:

<u>MAJOR OPERATIONS</u>	<u>FND CAS</u>		<u>EN CAS</u>		<u>PERIOD</u>
	<u>KIA</u>	<u>WIA</u>	<u>KIA</u>	<u>WC</u>	
IMPERIAL LAKE	5	71	30	27	1-30Sep70
NEBRASKA RAPIDS	1	14	0	0	5-8Sep70
DUBOIS SQUARE	0	2	0	1	10-19Sep70

SMALL UNIT ACTIVITY

1ST MARINE DIVISION	19	212	120	44	1-30Sep70
COMBINED ACTION FORCE	4	26	20	12	1-26Sep70
2ND COMBINED ACTION GROUP	0	3	0	0	27-30Sep70
TOTAL	23	241	140	56	1-30Sep70

b. EVENTS. During the month of September 1970, the following significant events were reported in chronological order:

At 021505H, an A-4E from VMA-311, 3 Kms south of FSB O'REILLY, crashed and exploded while on a close air support mission for the ARVN's. Enemy fire was suspected as the cause of the incident. The aircraft was completely destroyed and 1 USMC killed.

At 030930H, a member of a squad patrol from "G" Company, 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines, 1 Kms southwest of Hill 425, detonated an unknown type surprise firing device at an entrance to a cave. The explosion detonated an M-72 that another Marine was carrying. Total casualties were 1 USMC killed and 5 USMC wounded, three of whom required evacuation.

At 031430H, An Hoa Combat Base received 5 122mm rockets. The rounds impacted outside the 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines perimeter causing no casualties or material damage. Counter battery fire missions were employed against suspected launch site with negative results.

At 032240H, an F-4B from VMFA-115, at the Danang Air Base, caught fire and exploded while refueling. The aircraft was being cold refueled when electrical power fired the external tanks. Total casualties were 1 USMC and 2 USAF killed, 6 USMC and 8 USAF wounded, 9 of whom required evacuation.

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At 060934H, "E" Company, 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines, 2 Kms southwest of Hill 425, while on a sweep operation received a heavy volume of small arms and automatic weapons fire from an unknown size enemy force located 250 meters southeast of their position. Organic weapons fire was returned and an AO employed fixed wing air strikes resulting in two secondary explosions being observed. A subsequent sweep of the area revealed 2 VC killed. During the contact 2 USMC were killed and 2 USMC wounded requiring evacuation.

At 061100H, "F" Company, 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines, 3 Kms west of Liberty Bridge, during a cordon and search operation found 4 tons of unpolished rice. The cache was stored in four 6' x 5' holes. The rice was taken to Duc Duc District Headquarters for distribution.

At 061745H, a Marine from "M" Company, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines, 5 Kms southwest FSB ROSS, while enroute to a new company position detonated a pressure type booby trap of unknown ordnance buried below the surface. Total casualties were 7 USMC wounded, all of whom required evacuation.

At 061953H, Headquarters and Service Company, 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines, 3 Kms southwest of Hill 425, while in a defensive position received 25 82mm mortar rounds. There were no casualties or material damage.

At 071250H, a CH-46D from HMM-262, 3 Kms southeast of Hill 425, while on a priority recon insert mission crashed and burned attempting to land in it's landing zone. The rotar blades hit a concealed hazard causing the aircraft to roll on it's left and invert. The aircraft was destroyed and 3 USMC wounded, two of whom required evacuation.

At 081215H, a squad from "L" Company, 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines, 5 Kms north of LZ SAGE, while in an OP position observed 5 enemy. The squad engaged the enemy with small arms fire resulting in 3 VC killed. There were no friendly casualties.

At 081230H, "G" Company, 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines, 6 Kms south of LZ SAGE, received small arms fire from an unknown size enemy force. Organic weapons fire was returned resulting in 3 NVA killed, 1 AK-47 rifle and 1 SKS rifle captured. During the contact 1 USMC was killed and 4 USMC wounded requiring evacuation.

At 090720H, a squad from "E" Company, 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines, 4 Kms east of An Hoa, while preparing an OP position suffered 1 USMC killed and 1 USMC wounded, requiring evacuation, when a command detonated 105mm round booby trap exploded. The squad then received small arms fire from two or three enemy. Small arms fire was returned by the squad causing the enemy to break contact. A sweep of the area was conducted with negative results.

At 091800H, CAP's 2-3-7 and 2-3-8, 4 Kms north of Dien Ban, acting on information from local villagers conducted a search and sweep operation through the Thanh Quit (4) Hamlet. Approaching the hamlet, CAP 2-3-7 received small arms fire from an unknown size enemy force. The CAP unit returned fire

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with organic weapons and maneuvered to neutralize the enemy. CAP 2-3-8 initially acting as a blocking force joined CAP 2-3-7 and supported by two gunships moved through the hamlet causing the enemy to flee. A subsequent sweep of the area revealed 14 VC killed; 1 VC, 1 AK-47 rifle, 2 SKS rifles, 3 9mm pistols, 14 locally fabricated grenades, 2 chicom grenades, 2 M-26 grenades and assorted documents and medical supplies captured. There were no friendly casualties.

At 110410H, an A-4E from VMA-311, 7 Kms southwest of FSB RENDEZVOUS, while flying a close air support mission for a 101st Ranger Team received ground fire, was hit and disintegrated in flight. The remains of the aircraft crashed in the target area and 1 USMC killed.

At 120800H, an artillery FO, 4 Kms northwest of LZ SAGE on Hill 119, using an IOD observed 7 enemy dressed in dark utilities carrying packs and rifles. An artillery fire mission was called resulting in 5 VC killed and 1 secondary explosion.

At 120845H, a squad patrol from "E" Company, 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines, 2 Kms southwest of Hill 425, while searching the cave of a previous contact found that the cave consisted of two levels and a passageway. The search produced 8 82mm mortar fuses, 1 60mm mortar sight, 36 booby trap detonators, 150 pounds of rice, 40 pounds of corn, 1 table, 2 NVA shirts, and 1 NVA helmet captured. A satchel charge was set and as the squad proceeded to leave the cave they received small arms fire from 1 enemy hiding in a deep crevice. The cave was destroyed and 1 VC killed. There were no friendly casualties.

At 150950H, CUPP Team #6 from "G" Company, 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines, 3 Kms northwest of FSB BALDY, while destroying a bunker killed 3 VC attempting to escape from an extension of the bunker. The team then received small arms fire from an unknown size enemy force southwest of their position. The enemy were engaged with organic weapons fire. A subsequent search of the area revealed 2 VC killed. There were no friendly casualties.

At 152000H, a CUPP squad from Headquarters and Service Company, 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines, 3 Kms east of Hill 52, while set in an ambush position observed 20 enemy moving south along a river bank. The enemy were engaged with small arms fire and forced to move into a treeline. Artillery illumination and HE fire missions were called against the enemy location and possible escape routes. On three separate occasions the enemy returned to the river in an attempt to recover their dead. During the contact 14 VC were killed. There were no friendly casualties.

At 161225H, a Marine from "I" Company, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines, 7 Kms north of FSB RYDER, while enroute with the company to a new day position detonated a pressure type booby trap believed to be a 20-30 pound box mine. Total casualties were 1 USMC killed and 8 USMC wounded requiring evacuation.

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At 161915H, a squad from "G" Company, 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines, 1½ Kms southwest of Hill 425, while moving to an ambush site observed 3 enemy dressed in green utilities carrying weapons and packs. The squad engaged the enemy with small arms resulting in 3 NVA killed, 3 AK-47 rifles, 2 chicom grenades, 1 M-26 grenade and miscellaneous 782 gear captured. There were no friendly casualties.

At 201900H, an Artillery FO, 4 Kms northwest of LZ SAGE on Hill 119, using an IOD observed 10 enemy dressed in dark utilities carrying packs and rifles. An artillery fire mission was called resulting in 7 VC killed.

At 201920H, a squad from "H" Company, 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines, 7 Kms north of Dien Ban, while deploying into it's ambush site detonated an unknown type booby trap. Total casualties were 1 USMC killed and 7 USMC wounded, six of whom required evacuation.

At 220100H, a CH-46D from HML-262, 4 Kms north of Dien Ban, while flying escort on a med-evac mission crashed and burned from unknown causes. Total casualties were 5 USMC killed.

At 221820H, an Artillery FO, 4 Kms west of FSB RYDER, observed 5 enemy carrying packs and weapons. An artillery fire mission was called resulting in 3 VC killed.

At 261500H, "L" Company, 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines, 7 Kms northeast of FSB ROSS, acting on intelligence information and guided by a Hoi Chanh, conducted a search and cordon operation supported by gunships. During the operation 4 VC were killed, 5 VC suspects, miscellaneous medical gear and assorted documents were captured. There were no friendly casualties.

At 280200H, a platoon from "M" Company, 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines, 3 Kms west of FSB ROSS, while set in a defensive position received 3 RPG rounds and 3 M-26 grenades from an unknown size enemy force located to the south. The platoon returned small arms fire with unknown results. During the contact 1 USMC was killed and 3 USMC wounded requiring evacuation.

At 290049H, a squad ambush from "C" Company, 1st Battalion, 1st Marines, in the vicinity of Hill 52, while returning to it's company defensive position received 1 RPG round and machine gun fire from an unknown size force. The squad returned organic weapons fire and called for artillery fire missions. A sweep of the area at first light revealed 4 NVA killed, 1 individual weapon, 1 crew served weapon and miscellaneous ordnance captured. During the contact 2 USMC were killed and 2 USMC wounded requiring evacuation.

At 291820H, an OP from "C" Company, 1st Battalion, 1st Marines, in the vicinity of Hill 52, received an undetermined number of 82mm mortar rounds and 5 60mm mortar rounds. The unit returned fire with 60mm mortars and called artillery fire missions on a suspected enemy location resulting in one secondary explosion being observed. Total casualties was 1 USMC killed.

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2. CASUALTIES INFLICTED ON THE ENEMY. See page 19.

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SECRET3. FRIENDLY CASUALTIES SUSTAINEDa.. III MAF CASUALTIES

(1) Battle

<u>KIA</u>		<u>WIA</u>		<u>DOW</u>		<u>MIA</u>	
USMC	USN	USMC	USN	USMC	USN	USMC	USN
23	1	241	9	7	0	2	0

(2) Non-Battle

<u>DEATHS</u>		<u>ILL/INJ</u>	
USMC	USN	USMC	USN
13	2	178	4

b. NUMBER OF COURTS-MARTIAL TRIED:

SUMMARY	63
SPECIAL	69
GENERAL	10

c. SHORT TONS OF MAIL SENT AND RECEIVED BY III MAF:

SENT	32
RECEIVED	76

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SECRET4. PERSONNEL

a. Special Services Activities

(1) Freedom Hill Recreation Complex

(a) THEATER: The 35mm Indoor Theater was operational 30 days during the month of September with an average attendance of 576 per day

(b) BOWLING CENTER: The Bowling Center was operational 26 days during the month of September with an average of 498 games bowled per day

(2) Stars & Stripes: During the month of September 210,000 free issues of Stars and Stripes newspapers were distributed to III MAF personnel.

(3) R&R Activities (Out-of-Country): The total number of R&R seats allotted to III MAF for the month of August was 2108. The total number of R&R (Confirmed and Standby) and leave personnel using the aircraft was 2137 resulting in a utilization of 101.3%.

(4) In-Country R&R: The total China Beach In-Country R&R Allocation for the month was 180.

(5) Special Services Hong Kong Flight: Two round-trip Special Services Hong Kong flights were made during the month utilizing 88 spaces.

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4 Sep Staff visit at 11thMTBn

6 Sep Conducted four Sunday Services in 1stMarDiv units.

7 Sep Attended meeting at XXIV Corps with key civilian personnel who work with the Catholic Relief Society. Purpose was to better coordinate our assistance to various relief projects. Christian Missionary Alliance representatives were also in attendance.

Staff visit with CAF

8 Sep Attended a briefing and discussion on drug abuse with DOD representatives.

9 Sep Attended two meeting and discussions (III MAF and 1stMarDiv) on drug abuse with Congressional Staff members.

Administrative inspection of 11th Marine Regimental Chaplain.

10 Sep Visited chapel facilities on Hills 10, 37 and 65.

13 Sep Conducted 3 Sunday Services in 1stMarDiv units.

14 Sep Attended meeting at III MAF on Navy Personnel issues.

20 Sep Conducted five (5) Sunday Services in Baldy, Ross and Ryder area.

22 Sep Staff visit with CO of 1st Recon.

23 Sep Conducted meeting of all 1stMarDiv chaplains, with representatives from FLC and 1stMAW.

25 Sep Staff visit with CO of 1/11

27 Sep Conducted five (5) Sunday Services in 1stMarDiv and 1stMAW units.

28 Sep Visited 2nd CAG CP at Hoi An. Staff visit with acting XO.

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5. Intelligence

a. General Enemy Situation. Enemy initiated activity rose sharply during the first half of the reporting period, started to decrease, and then rose again towards the end of the reporting period. This latter surge was expected as the weather moved into the Fall Transition Period and the moon moved into the "dark" phase.

The enemy continued to utilize attacks by fire, small unit and sapper operations, and terrorist activities as his primary tactics.

On 4 September, while on a search mission 7 kilometers southwest of landing zone Prep (AT 944105), Foxtrot Company, 2nd Battalion, 5th Marines uncovered a storage area containing 4 tons of unpolished rice. The rice was extracted to Duc Duc (D) for distribution.

On 9 September, the 15th PF Platoon conducted a raid 11 kilometers northwest of Hoi An (BT 050620). This resulted in 15 VC KIA and 7 VC suspects captured. On the same day, a patrol from the 3rd Company, 2nd ROK Marine Brigade engaged an unknown size enemy force in a cave. This cave was located 10 kilometers southwest of Hoi An (BT 046563). The encounter resulted in 7 enemy KIA, 3 individual weapons and 1 Chincom K-63 radio captured.

On 15 September, a CUPP team and elements of the 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines were in an ambush site at AT 822553. The Marines observed 20 VC pulling a boat along the river. The VC were engaged resulting in 14 enemy killed.

On 20 September, at AT 982432, an element of the 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines discovered approximately 50 natural caves. Some were as deep as 70 feet. Over-all, the caves were capable of housing an estimated 100 persons. Contiguous to the caves, the unit discovered a hospital complex containing miscellaneous medical supplies.

On 29 September, while manning an out-post at ZC 189560, the 704th RF Company engaged an unknown sized enemy force. 3 of the enemy were killed and 4 captured.

Also on 29 September, Duc Duc District Headquarters (AT 868478) received 6 rounds of 122mm rocket fire. H&S Company, 1st Battalion, 1st Marines (AT 817549) received 30 rounds of 82mm mortar fire. The Thuong Duc CIDG Camp (ZC 146532) took 12 rounds of 122mm rockets.

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b. Enemy Action Statistics. Statistics pertaining to enemy activities in Marine Corps areas for the month of September are as follows:

<u>Enemy Initiated Activities</u>		
	<u>III MAF</u>	<u>CAP</u>
Attacks	0	0
Ambushes	0	0
Assaults by fire	1	0
Harrassing fire	113	26
Mines/Booby Traps	40	8
AA Fire/Hits	127/40	

c. Enemy Order of Battle. The following changes were made in the enemy order of battle for Quang Nam Province during September. Headquarters and two battalions of the 141st NVA Regiment were dropped from current holdings. One unidentified battalion of the 141st is carried as unlocated in Quang Nam. The T-87 Sapper Battalion and the 573 Rocket Battalion were both downgraded to companies and made subordinate to the Q-85 Local Force Armed Unit. This gives the enemy in Quang Nam Province 2 regiments, 13 battalions, and 11 separate companies as maneuver elements. Administrative personnel strength remained at 3,790 and guerrilla strength at 3,911. Total enemy strength is 13,966. This is 1,240 less than reported for August.

d. Counterintelligence

(1) Counterintelligence Monthly Overview. During the month of September 1970, VC/VCI counterintelligence related activity remained relatively stable in comparison to the previous month. While there was no significant change in the number of terrorist incidents, there was a noticeable reduction in the number of casualties and amount of property damage resulting from VC terrorist activity. There was a noticeable increase in incidents involving GVN National Policemen during the month, e. g. three killed by terrorist grenades, one killed by assassination, one wounded by terrorist grenade, and one escaped an assassination attempt. GVN officials have always been targets for VC terrorism/assassination and it is anticipated that the number of incidents involving GVN officials will increase during the monsoon season.

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(2) Terrorism and Propaganda. The terrorist incidents for the month of September remained equal to the number of incidents during August. However, there was a significant decrease in the number of KIA's and MIA's resulting from terrorist activity. There were six incidents resulting in damage/destruction of houses/buildings, four of which involved damage or destruction of school houses. The number of victims and structures damaged/destroyed is as follows:

Killed	14 (-10)
Wounded	40 (-43)
Abducted	0 (0)
Structures - Dam/Dest	6 (- 6)

There was one incident involving the assassination of a Hamlet Chief and one incident resulting in the assassination of a National Policeman.

VC Propaganda/Froselyting activity during the month continued to be the introduction of propaganda leaflets written in English and Vietnamese. The general theme was to encourage U. S. personnel to refuse to fight, "Support the GI's Peace Movement at Home", etc. On one occasion the VC held a meeting of approximately 54 villagers and lectured them to the effect that the "Americans have withdrawn their support of the Thieu-Ky Government", and, "that now is the time to demand peace." Of the six incidents reported for the month, one resulted in two Vietnamese civilians being wounded while attempting to remove a VC flag from a booby-trapped flag pole.

(3) Subversion. No incidents of subversion are known to have occurred during the month.

(4) Sabotage. On 25 September 1970, at 0300, a bridge located approximately 5.7 kilometers northeast of Dai Loc District Headquarters, (AT 964605) was partially destroyed by an unknown type explosive.

(5) Espionage. There were no reported incidents of espionage known to have occurred during the month. However, it can be reasonably assumed that the VC/VCI maintain a continuing collection effort within the III MAF AO for the purpose of identifying prospective targets.

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e. Enemy Losses. Enemy losses for the month of September were as follows:

	<u>III MAF</u>	<u>CAP</u>
KIAs	120	20
Detainees	221	69
PWs NVA	0	0
PWs VC	5	0
Returnees NVA	1	0
Returnees VC	4	0
Innocent Civilians	197	0
Civil Defendants	18	0
Individual Weapons	41	8
Crew Served Weapons	3	4
Rice Captured	17,395 lbs	30 lbs
Total Hoi Chanhs returned to both military and civilian authorities - 49		

f. Kit Carson Scout Program. Significant accomplishments of Kit Carson Scouts employed by the First Marine Division and Force Logistics Command for the period 1-30 September were as follows:

	<u>1st MarDiv</u>	<u>FLC</u>
Patrols	780	6
Classes conducted	48	0
Psyops Broadcasts	0	0
Enemy Captured/Suspects Apprehended	13	0
Enemy Killed	0	0
Weapons Recovered	0	0
Returnees	2	0
Caves/Tunnels Detected	19	2
Mines/Booby Traps Detected	9	3
Caches Discovered	16	0

Statistics on Kit Carson Scouts are as follows:

	No of KCS	No of KCS	No of KCS			
	<u>Employed</u>	<u>Recruited</u>	<u>KIA</u>	<u>WIA</u>	<u>MIA</u>	<u>Absent</u>
1st MarDiv	98	10	0	3	0	0
FLC	2	0	0	0	0	1

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SECRET6. LOGISTICS

a. General. During the month of September, the G-4 staff and those special staff sections under its cognizance pressed ahead with redistribution of excesses, transfer of equipment to the Armed Forces of the Republic of Vietnam, transfer of real estate/facilities and improving the quality of common service support. Completion of Increment IV Keystone Robin (Alfa) embarkation units VIII and IX was earmarked by the USS Mobile sailing with what was believed to be the largest load since redeployments from RVN was begun with Keystone Eagle. This load represented the largest ever put aboard this class LKA. A number of medical aid stations were inspected; a program for allocation and distribution of antifragementation kits was established; major engineering support was provided for road paving, general improvement and assistance to the Korean 2d Marine Corps Brigade; and planning for future actions continued with an eye toward the forthcoming monsoon season and its attendant adversities.

b. G-4(1) Redistribution Program

(a) The program for redistribution of excesses continued during September. Near month's end, redistribution instructions for 97,053 excess items of equipment (cumulative total reported through embarkation unit XIV of Increment IV Keystone Robin (Alfa)) had been issued.

(b) Transfer of equipment to the Armed Forces of the Republic of Vietnam has proven very successful. Of the 5072 items of equipment offered by units of this command, 4713 items have been accepted. This equates to approximately 93 percent acceptance rate.

(2) Real Estate/Facilities

(a) Transfer of the following real estate/facilities was effected during September:

Dai La Pass	ARVN
Camp Love	USA
Nam O Bridge	ARVN
Chu Lai Air Base	USA
An Hoa Combat Base	ARVN

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My Khe Compound

USA

Camp Hoa Long

USA

(b) Transfer/disposal processing continued during September for the following:

Camp Stokes, Dng AB 9th Engr Bn Compound

FLC ASP, Chu Lai FLC Ice Plant and Bakery

LZ Ross

FSB Ross

Liberty Bridge

MWSG-17 Area Dng AB

(c) Processing commenced during September for transfer/disposal of the following:

Hill 41*

HMM-161 (Marble Mtn AB)

*Transfer completed during September.

(3) Airlifts. Marine passenger airlifts decreased from 90,470 during August to 72,784 for September--a decrease of 17,686. Total Marine cargo lifted decreased from 7899 short tons to 6117 short tons--a decrease of 1782 short tons. Personnel flown out of RVN in connection with permanent change of station orders totaled 5947--an increase of 592 from the previous month.

(4) Common Service Support. Some problem areas in connection with common service support continued during September. The Commanding General, USARV was appraised of the situation and his assistance was solicited, while close liaison with the U. S. Army Support Command, Da Nang, and the Northern District Engineer continued.

(5) Vehicle Fragmentation Armor Kits. Antifragmentation armor kits for 2 1/2 and 5 ton "M" series vehicles, developed to provide a degree of protection for vehicles operating in a mine blast environment, were allocated during September to major subordinate commands. Allocations were based on priorities established by this Headquarters. The initial shipment was distributed on a fair share basis. Of the total requirement for kits, approximately 33 percent was received and distributed for installation.

c. Embarkation Summary. A total of four amphibious ships were used during September to transport troops and equipment to CONUS, Okinawa and Hawaii in connection with Increment IV Keystone Robin (Alpha) redeployments.

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SECRETd. Engineer Summary

(1) Major support was provided 32d Naval Construction Regiment during September in efforts to complete paving of QL-1 and LTL-4. Approximately 5900 cubic yards of asphalt and 4000 cubic yards of crushed base rock were hauled in support of these projects.

(2) With imminence of the monsoon season, and its generally destructive effects, a considerable amount of attention was given to improving and repairing roads and drainage systems.

(3) A project was launched during September to assist the Korean 2d Marine Corps Brigade in improving their cantonments located near Hoi An. Eight new Southeast Asia type huts and a 35 foot repelling tower were constructed during the month, and a 100 barrel capacity water tank was installed. Additionally, rehabilitation of 186 huts and extensive electrical rewiring was completed within the Brigade command post area.

e. Supply Summary. Two Force directives concerning supply matters were published during September. One contained instructions for recovery of precious metals from materials and equipment, and the other established procedures for rehabilitation of light weight utilities.

f. Dental Summary

(1) The total number of military patients treated within dental facilities of this command during September was 7940 with 18,719 dental procedures completed.

(2) Dental Civic Action conducted by III MAF dental units during September resulted in 1322 dental procedures and treatment of 742 patients.

(3) Force Dental Officer, Captain M. H. Mead, DC, USN, was relieved on 17 September by Captain F. D. Grossman, DC, USN.

g. Medical Summary

(1) Medical aid stations were inspected during September at 11th Marines, 1st and 3d Battalions, 1st Marines and 1st Motor Transport Battalion.

(2) The MACV Surgeon, Colonel Bernstein, USA, visited this command on 15 September.

(3) Patient load for 1st Medical Battalion during September averaged 123, with a total of 632 patients admitted and 278 evacuated out of RVN. A total of 759 units of whole blood was expended during the month.

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(4) Malaria cases reported by month's end totaled 346--an increase of 194 cases from the previous month.

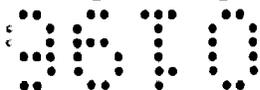
(5) The capacity and use of III MAF inpatient treatment facilities during September was as follows:

	<u>AUTH BEDS</u>	<u>ACT BEDS</u>	<u>AVG CENSUS</u>	<u>% OCCUPIED</u>
1st Med Bn	240	180	123	68
USS Sanctuary	560	560	377	60

(6) The USS Sanctuary supported III MAF the entire month of September at Danang and Hue/Perfume River operating areas as the tactical situation required.

f. Chronological Listing of Highlights for September 1970.

- 2 Sep Dai La Pass transferred to ARVN.
- 3 Sep Camp Love transferred to USA.
- 5 Sep Nam O Bridge transferred to ARVN.
- 6 Sep USS Denver and Monticello arrived, loaded at DWP and sailed for Okinawa and CONUS respectively; USS Durham arrived and commenced loading at DWP.
- 7 Sep USS Durham completed loading and sailed for CONUS.
- 9 Sep 11th Marines, 1/1 and 1st MT Bn aid stations inspected.
- 15 Sep Staff visit MACV Surgeon; Chu Lai Air Base transferred to USA.
- 17 Sep 3/1 medical aid station inspected; relief of Force Dental Officer--Capt. Mead, DC, USN by Capt. Grossmann, DC, USN.
- 20 Sep USS Mobile arrived and commenced loading at DWP; An Hoa Combat Base transferred to ARVN.
- 21 Sep USS Mobile completed loading and sailed for CONUS; Hill 41 transferred to ARVN.
- 23 Sep My Khe Compound transferred to USA.
- 26 Sep Camp Hoa Long transferred to USA.

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7. Comptroller

a. Significant events for September. There were no significant events for the month of September.

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SECRET8. CIVIL AFFAIRS

a. Objectives. The basic objectives of the III Marine Amphibious Force Civic Affairs Program remain the same.

b. Civic Action Statistics

(1) Cost of supplies contributed from military resources for civic action projects (does not include cost of commodities obtained from USAID, CORDS, CRS, and like organizations): \$VN 2,453,547

(2) Expenditures from US/FWMAF Civic Action/PSYWAR Fund:
\$VN 204,410

(3) Major Civic Action Programs:	<u>Man-days</u> (10-hr days)	<u>\$VN</u>
a. Economic Development	234	293,079
b. Education	237	694,845
c. Social Welfare	671	967,553
d. Transportation	176	559,815
e. Refugee Assistance Support	617	1,169,322

(4) Number of separate institutions supported during the reporting period:

a. Schools	28
b. Orphanages	13
c. Hospitals/Dispensaries	14
d. Others	8

(5) MEDCAP-DENTAL

(a) TreatmentsNumber of Patients

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Resulting from Hostile Action 109

Not resulting from Hostile Action 32,957

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Immunizations	981
Dental	<u>487</u>
Total	34,534

(b) Number of Vietnamese Health Workers Trained: 64

c. Civic Action Projects. The following are highlights of significant civic action projects conducted during the month of September 1970:

(1) 1st Marine Aircraft Wing reports the following:

(a) To date, the 1st MAW Civic Action and Animal Husbandry Demonstration Center located in Phuoc Tuong Hamlet of Hoa Phat Village has 225 White Leghorn hens and 40 White Leghorn roosters. These were purchased on Okinawa as eggs or chicks, then incubated and grown in the Civic Action compound, and are presently being cared for by the Marine Civic Action Team and several Vietnamese. All feed is purchased at the Danang feed mill at a cost of 35 piasters per kilo. All medicine and vitamins are purchased in Danang and all specialized health care is provided by American civilian and military veterinarians.

The 225 hens are from 18 to 21 weeks old, depending upon when they were purchased. Purchase price for the eggs was 15 cents (U.S. currency) per egg and approximately 60 cents for each new born rooster. The eggs were placed in a 260 egg capacity incubator in the Phuoc Tuong Civic Action Center for a three week period. Hatch rate of the eggs purchased on Okinawa was between 75% to 85% and as high as 92%. The hatch rate for eggs purchased in Saigon by CORDS was generally around 35%. Approximately 90% of the hatched chicks were sold at one-half the local price to Vietnamese villagers interested in poultry production. These sales helped to defray the high cost of feed. All those who purchased chicks were informed of the veterinary services available to them at Hoa Vang District and Danang, and were encouraged to begin poultry raising rather than to immediately sell the chicks for a short-term profit.

At present approximately 60 hens are laying between 30 to 40 eggs daily. When enough eggs of sufficient size are laid, they will be incubated to determine their hatch rate. At that time, either eggs or chicks will be sold to any Civic Action unit or CORDS affiliated volunteer agency interested in poultry production. By the end of October of this year over 100 eggs daily is the expected rate of production. It is hoped that with a distribution of eggs such as this that at least a minor increase in poultry and poultry products will occur in Hoa Vang District.

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A fire on the 24th of September in Hoa An Hamlet of Hoa Phat Village destroyed 18 houses leaving 145 Vietnamese homeless. 1st MAW provided emergency relief to the victims. A water trailer was left at the scene for three days; 80 cases of C-rations were given to and distributed by the hamlet chief; and 11th Motor Transport Battalion signed over four (4) General Purpose tents to be used as temporary shelter. Marines from both 1stMAW Civic Action and 11th Motor Transport Battalion Supply, together with the Popular Force militia of Hoa An Hamlet, erected two of the tents. One additional tent was provided and erected by the Vietnamese motor transport unit located near the scene of the fire.

Scrap lumber and tin are presently being collected to provide partial aid for the rebuilding of destroyed homes and property. The Hoa Vang District Civic Action Officer is also attempting to get construction commodities through GVN channels.

(2) 1st Marine Division reports:

(a) Due to the interest shown by Civic Action personnel of the 1st Marine Division, the villagers of Phuoc Thuan Hamlet, Hoa Vang District led the S-5 of Headquarters Battalion to a VC base camp and uncovered a VC rice cache.

The close cooperation by the villagers in conjunction with US and GVN efforts to construct 140 new homes and repair 80 other homes at Tu Cau and Ngan Cau Hamlets has convinced many people that the GVN is concerned about their welfare.

(3) Force Logistic Command reports:

(a) On 22 September 1970 at 0210 there was a fire in the hamlet of Hoa My. Three fire trucks from FLC and two fire trucks from 1st MAW responded to the call. One woman and two children (6 year old girl and 8 year old boy) were fatally burned. There were no other casualties. The firemen worked for an hour and a half before the fire was completely out. Over 14,000 gallons of water were expended from the FLC fire trucks. The cause of the fire is still unknown.

Civil Affairs personnel of Maintenance Battalion, FLC delivered more than 30 truckloads of lumber, including plywood and 2x4's to the Hamlet Chief of Hoa My. This lumber will be used to rebuild the ten stores/dwellings destroyed by the fire.

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9. Psychological Warfare Operations

a. Chieu Hoi Program

PROVINCE	TOTAL	NVA	VC	NON-MIL	WPNS
QUANG NAM	49	1	21	27	4
DANANG CITY	4	0	0	4	1
TOTAL	53	1	21	31	5

b. Campaign Support

(1) <u>THEME</u>	<u>LEAFLET</u>		<u>BROADCAST HOURS</u>	
	<u>AIR</u>	<u>GROUND</u>	<u>AIR</u>	<u>GROUND</u>
CHIEU HOI	11,370,000	2,300	5:55	44:30
PRO-GVN	2,445,000	10,878	13:00	54:00
ANTI-VC/NVA	7,302,000	100	11:30	NONE
REWARDS	1,431,000	3,000	7:40	72:30
RICE DENIAL	2,436,000	NONE	3:20	NONE
TRAIL CAMPAIGN	1,258,000	NONE	NONE	NONE
REDEPLOYMENT	NONE	NONE	NONE	23:30

(2) Movie showings/hours/attendance: 46/33/4,000

(3) Cultural Drama Team performances/attendance: 5/2,400

c. Narrative Summary

(1) During this period III MAF units used an Armed Propaganda Platoon to conduct loudspeaker broadcasts, interview Vietnamese families and to distribute handbills and newspapers.

(2) 25 million leaflets were air dropped on 528 target areas and 348 target areas received aerial broadcasts.

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10. Communications:

- a. Combat Operations Center Communication Center traffic during the month of September 1970:

	<u>August</u>	<u>September</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Decrease</u>
Incoming	6291	5773		518
Outgoing	402	276		126
Total	6693	6049		644

- b. Headquarters, III MAF message traffic originated:

August	1613
September	1667
Increase	54

- c. Colonel R.L. WILLIS and Lieutenant Colonel L.Z. SLAWTER attended the Senior Communication Officers Conference at MACV (J6) Saigon on 1 September 1970.
- d. Major E.F. FORDHAM attended the AUTOSEVOM Working Group Meeting at DCA-SAM Saigon on 24 September 1970.
- e. Major E.F. FORDHAM attended the SEA-ATS Working Group Meeting at DCA-SAM/THAI Bangkok on 29 September 1970.

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11. PUBLIC AFFAIRS

a. BACKGROUND. During the month of September the PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE in coordination with Division, Wing and FLC PAO's provided escorts to accompany newsmen in news gathering assignments covering Military Region 1 ground and air operations, civic action and CAP program.

b. MOTOR TRANSPORT. Tactical vehicles on hand at the Public Affairs Office include the following:

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>VEHICLE #</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
M-151	357391	PAO

Another jeep is being used at the Da Nang Press Center by the Marine Liaison Officer.

<u>TYPE</u>	<u>VEHICLE #</u>	<u>STATUS</u>
M-151	357146	Da Nang Press Center

c. PRESS. Copies of September issues of the SEA TIGER are enclosed.

A total of 72 home town news items on III MAF Headquarters Marines were forwarded to Fleet Home Town News Center for processing and distribution to home town newspapers.

d. STAFF VISITS. The following is a list of Staff Visits made by the Force Public Affairs Officer during the month of September.

2 - September - 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, 1st Marine Division, and Force Logistic Command to discuss redeployment.

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12. CHRONOLOGY OF VIP VISITS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK/SERVICE</u>	<u>BILLET</u>
3-4Sep70	JONES, W. K.	LtGen/USMC	CG, FMFPAC
3-4Sep70	JONES, J. R.	BGen/USMC	CG, 3d Force Service Regt
5-6Sep70	RUEBEL, D. M.	RAdm/USN	CTF-76
7Sep70	ROSSON, W. B.	Gen/USA	DEPCOMUSMACV (Departing)
7Sep70	GRAHAM, E. M.	MGen/USA	CG, USAMUCOM
8Sep70	VACEK, J. A.	Mr./HQMC	Team Chief - DOD Drug Abuse Control Committee
8Sep70	DICKSON, J.	Mr./OSD	Member - DOD Drug Abuse Control Committee
8Sep70	JENKINS, J.	Mr./U.S. Bureau of Customs	Member - DOD Drug Abuse Control Committee
9Sep70	WEYAND, F. C.	LtGen/USA	DEPCOMUSMACV
9Sep70	HARRIS, R. O.	Mr./Congress Staff	Staff Director, Senate Labor and Public Welfare Committee
9Sep70	CLARK, W.	Mr./Congress Staff	Staff Member, Sub-committee on Alcoholism & Narcotics
9Sep70	GRANGER, J.	Mr./Congress Staff	Staff Member, Sub-committee on Alcoholism & Narcotics
15Sep70	VIVRETT, W.	Dr./(GS-17E)	Secretary, Commission on Chaplaincy Endorsement, Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)
17Sep70	WINSHIP, S.	FSO-2/State Department	Supervisory Political Officer, Political Military Affairs Unit, AmEmb Saigon
18-19Sep70	KUHRT, W. A.	Mr./Civilian	Division President, Sikorsky Aircraft Division
22Sep70	SCHULZ, L. R.	RAdm/USN	Chief - Headquarters, National Security Agency, Pacific

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PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

September 1970 Editions, III Marine Amphibious Force Newspaper, "SEA TIGER".

Removed. Record copy in H&K Library / NOR-40

3 September 1970 III Marine Amphibious Force Command Directory.

Added:

III MAF OpLan 18-70 (Rice Denial), 9 Sep 1970 (S&C 018 424)

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COMMAND DIRECTORY

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<u>BILLET</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>OFF PH IN III MAF CP</u>	<u>OFF PHONE OUT OF III MAF CP</u>	<u>QTRS PHONE</u>	<u>RTD</u>
<u>COMMANDING GENERAL STAFF SECTION</u>						
COMMANDING GENERAL	MCCUTCHEON K B	LTGEN	2155/2156/2200		2200	INDEF
AIDE	SEED R J	MAJ	2155/2156/2200		2156/2200	OCT70
JR AIDE	HAILSTON E B	1STLT	2155/2156/2200		2261	DEC70
SGTMAJ	SKINNER C W	SGTMAJ	2695			NOV70

DEPUTY COMMANDERS

* DEPUTY CG III MAF (GND)	WIDDECKE C F	MAJGEN		954-6206	954-6206	APR71
**DEPUTY CG III MAF (AIR)	ARMSTRONG A J	MAJGEN		957-5001	957-5001	JUN71

CHIEF OF STAFF SECTION

CHIEF OF STAFF	MILLER T H	BGEN	2287		2288	DEC70
DEP CHF OF STAFF/INSP	KERSEY R W	COL	2201			AUG71
STAFF SECRETARY	ROMANO C	LTCOL	2288		FLC 18	JUL71
ADMIN OFFICER	BUSSELL B L	CAPT	2288		2176	JUL71
ADMIN CHIEF	GRANT R A	MSGT	2383			AUG71...
PROTOCOL OFFICER	CLEMENTS J E	MAJ	2182			JUL71...
ASST INSPECTOR	SWANSON C L	1STLT	2365			DEC70...

*Assigned primary duty as Commanding General, 1st Marine Division (Rein) FMF; assigned additional duty as shown above.

**Assigned primary duty as Wing Commander, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing; assigned additional duty as shown above.

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<u>BILLET</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>OFF PH. IN III RAF CP</u>	<u>OFF PHONE EXT OF III RAF CP</u>	<u>HOME PHONE</u>	<u>RTD</u>
<u>G-1 SECTION</u>						
ACOFS G-1	OLTMER L J	COL	2187			JUL71
DEP ACOFS G-1	BARTLETT G L	LTCOL	2164			JUL71
SPEC SERVICES/R&R OFFICER	CLIFFORD K J	LTCOL	2170/2576			MAY71
MANPOWER/PLANS OFFICER	AVERA B L	MAJ	2594			SEP70
ASST G-1/OFFICER ASSIGNMENT	HAUPT H S	MAJ	2187			AUG71
ASST G-1/ADMIN OFFICER						
AWARDS OFFICER	MULLINS P F	CAPT	2583			FEB71
CAREER PLANNING/ G-1 STATISTICS UNIT	HICKS K L	CPL	2643			OCT70
CUSTODIAN FSS	MCANDREW J C	1STLT	2576			OCT70
DRUG ABUSE INFO	ANTHONY L M	PFC	2544			JUL71
CAREER PLANNER	BARNETT J T	MSGT	2544			JUL71
ADMIN CHIEF	SANTELE F H	MSGT	2187			NOV70
G-1 STATISTICS UNIT	HICKS K L	LCPL	2643			OCT70
<u>G-2 SECTION</u>						
ACOFS G-2	HUNT F J	COL	2284			JUN71
DEPUTY G-2	GRUENLER R E	LTCOL	2219			JUL71
ADMIN UNIT						
...ADMIN OFFICER	GUCKERT E B	2NDLT	2284/2219			JUN71
...ADMIN CHIEF	GARRISON R E	SSGT	2284/2219			MAY71
...COMBAT INTEL UNIT						
...COMBAT INTEL OFFICER	WOOD H H	MAJ	2186			DEC70
...ASST COMBAT INTEL OFFICER	ENNIS P E	CAPT	2186/2664			OCT70
...ASST COMBAT INTEL OFFICER	BAILEY C E	CAPT	2186/2664			JAN70
...ASST COMBAT INTEL OFFICER	WEIGERT J H	1STLT	2186/2664			APR71
...STAFF COUNTERINTELLIGENCE						
...STAFF CI OFFICER	LILE B K	CAPT	2425			APR71
...SPECIAL INTEL UNIT						
...SPECIAL INTEL OFFICER	HILL A S	CAPT	2446			OCT70
...5TH IT COMMANDER	WILSON R A JR	CAPT		957-4358		SEP70
...11TH ITT COMMANDER	ABLES C K	CAPT		951-3993		MAY71
...5TH CIT COMMANDER	VANCE A L	CAPT		951-2156		JUL70
...7TH CIT COMMANDER	MCKAY F R	CAPT		7TH MARINES OPER. ASK FOR 7TH CIT		JAN71

<u>BILLET</u>	<u>NAME</u>	<u>RANK</u>	<u>OFF PH IN III MAF CP</u>	<u>OFF PHONE OUT OF III MAF CP</u>	<u>QTRS PHONE</u>	<u>RTD</u>
<u>G-3 SECTION</u>						
ACOPS G-3	LUDDEN C H	COL	2253/2548		FLC DROP 29	JUN71
DEP G-3	UTTER L N	COL	2253/2513		2124	JUL71
EXECUTIVE ASST	HARRAN T C	MSGT	2548			DEC70
BEP G-3 PLANS/OPNS OPERATIONS OFFICER	HAGGERTY J W	COL	2263		FLC DROP 26	OCT70
ASST OPNS OFFICER (AIR)	WHITING C S	LTCOL	2556			NOV70
ASST OPNS OFFICER (AIR)	LOCKE F A	MAJ	2275			JAN71
ASST OPNS OFFICER (GND)	HARSHBARGER F F	MAJ	2275			OCT70
ASST OPNS OFFICER (GND)	LAYNE D Q	LTCOL	2572			SEP70
NGF OFFICER	GALBRAITH W F	MAJ	2572			FEB71
PLANS OFFICER	MAYNARD T Q	LT(USN)	2575			OCT70
ASST PLANS OFFICER	GIBNEY J L	LTCOL	2593/2269			JUN71
ASST PLANS/PROGRAMS OFFICER	SPIESEL W J	LTCOL	2269/2593			JUN71
PLANS/OPERATIONS CHIEF	NEWSOME C	MAJ	2593			JAN71
ADMIN CHIEF	KEMP J A	MGYSGT	2628			MAY71
OIC COMMAND CENTER	MARTIN K E	SSGT	2628			JUN71
WATCH OFFICER	SULLIVAN L W	MAJ	2153			DEC70
WATCH OFFICER	LUSIGNAN J H	CAPT	2148/2154			MAR71
WATCH OFFICER	MAGDERMANT T E	CAPT	2148/2154			DEC70
ADMIN/HISTORICAL OFFICER	FROST G L	1STLT	2148/2154			APR71
GRAPHIC ARTS	RISER J E	CAPT	2628			DEC70
LN OFF TO G-3 XXIV Corps	LONG D C	WO-1	2389			OCT70
LN OFF TO ROKMC BDE	WILTSIE R E	LTCOL		951-2926		AUG70
LN OFF TO MACV/7TH AF	THRELFALL W L	LTCOL		ROKMC COC		SEP70
	RAINFORTH R H	COL		8-923-3756		DEC70
					
<u>G-4 SECTION</u>						
ACOPS G-4	WOOD A T	COL	2274/2247			NOV70
DEP G-4	MCIENNAN K	COL	2274/2247			DEC70
PLANS UNIT					
LOG PLANS OFFICER	MEYERS J F JR	LTCOL	2659			AUG71
ASST LOG PLANS OFFICER	MILLER T P	MAJ	2659			OCT70
ASST LOG PLANS OFFICER					
OPNS UNIT					
LOG OPNS OFFICER	JOHNSON F S	LTCOL	2209/2542			AUG71
ASST OPNS OFFICER (AIR)	COLLINS H J	MAJ	2647			MAY71
ASST OPNS OFFICER	LARSEN R A	MAJ	2209			JUN71

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ASST OPNS OFFICER	GONZALES L H	MAJ	2209/2542			JUL71
ASST OPNS OFFICER	FELKER W E	MAJ	2209			AUG71
ASST OPNS OFFICER	HIMES L T	1STLT	2209			SEP70
ORDNANCE OFFICER	DEFFES R J	CAPT	2209/2542			OCT70
LOG CHIEF	SALISBURY R W	MSGT	2274			JAN71
ADMIN CHIEF	PIERCE J L	SGT	2247			JAN71
OPNS CHIEF	FISHER J M	CPL	2209/2542			MAY71
ORD CHIEF/AMMO NCO	BENSON E G	SSGT	2209/2542			AUG71
<u>EMBARKATION SECTION</u>						
EMBARKATION OFFICER	MOSS R E	LTCOL	2254/2687			AUG71
ASST EMBARKATION OFFICER	SLACK W F	MAJ	2254/2687			FEB71
ASST EMBARKATION OFFICER	WOOLLEVER J E	CAPT	2254			OCT70
EMBARKATION CHIEF	KELLER F J	GYSGT	2254			AUG71
ADMIN/FAMREP NCO	MCCOMMON C F	GYSGT	2254			DEC70
<u>G-5 SECTION</u>						
ACOPS G-5	SUDDUTH D E	MAJ	2298/2221			AUG71
PERS RESPONSE OFFICER	HECK J T	CDR	2577			JUN71
CA OFFICER	BREWER W D	1STLT	2298/2221			DEC70
ADMIN CHIEF	CALLEGARI A B	SSGT	2298/2221/2577			SEP70
PERS RESPONSE NCO	SIMON T	SSGT	2577			OCT70
<u>G-6 SECTION</u>						
ACOPS G-6	WILLIS R L	COL	2151			JUN71
DEP G-6	SLAWTER L Z	LTCOL	2128			JUL71
OPNS OFFICER	FORDHAM E F	MAJ	2439			NOV70
LN OFFICER 5TH COMBEN	TALLAFERRO D H	1STLT	2252			SEP70
COMM CHIEF	HENKEL J S	MSGT	2151			JAN71
ADMIN CHIEF	MCINTIRE D A	SGT	2128			DEC70
<u>ADJUTANT SECTION</u>						
FORCE ADJUTANT	ANGIL J F	MAJ	2157		FLC#8	JUL71
OIC CASUALTY REP CONTROL	MACKENZIE W P	1STLT	2413			JAN71
PERS OFFICER	ELLITHORPE W R	2NDLT	2693			APR71

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MESSAGE CENTER OFFICER	FERGUSON J T JR	1STLT	2211			DEC70
CLUB OFFICER	MACKENZIE W P	1STLT	2413			JAN71
S&C OFFICER	FUNK J B	WO-2	2528			OCT70
SECTION CHIEF	BARRETT R H	GYSGT	2693			JUL71
REPRODUCTION NCOIC	BALDWIN K R	GYSGT	2430			OCT70
ADMIN CHIEF	PARRISH M L	SSGT	2693			AUG71
PERS CHIEF	KENNEDY L E	SGT	2602			DEC70
III MAF LN NCOIC	TAYLOR B W	SGT		957-4029		OCT70

CHAPLAIN

*FORCE CHAPLAIN	RADEMACHER G A	CAPT(USN)		957-5151/5907		MAY71
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COMPTROLLER

ACOFs COMPTROLLER FLC	GOODALL R L	LTCOL		955-2202		JUL71
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DENTAL

**FORCE DENTAL OFFICER	MEAD M H	CAPT(USN)		957-6540	957-6466	NOV70
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DISBURSING

DISBURSING OFFICER FLC	PAUL P E	CAPT		955-2171		JUN71
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ENGINEER SECTION

FORCE ENGINEER	OLSON F O	COL	2637/2296			DEC70
ASST FORCE ENGINEER	JONES T W	LTCOL	2296/2637			AUG71
BASE DEVEL OFFICER			2296			
ENGINEER EQUIP OFFICER	CHURCH J B	CAPT	2637/2296			JUL71
ASST ENGINEER EQUIP OFFICER			2637/2296			
ADMIN CHIEF	HOLT J H	SSGT	2296			JAN71
ADMIN MAN	SILIS R L	LCPL	2296			JUN71

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<u>MEDICAL SECTION</u>						
*FORGE SURGEON	PARISER H P	CAPT(USN)		957-6216		MAY71
**FORGE MEDICAL ADMIN OFF MED COORDINATOR CAF/NAVY PERSONNEL OFFICER	RAMIREZ G	CDR		957-6216/6316		APR71
ADMIN CHIEF	LOOF E J	LT(USN)		951-2709		AUG71
	MASSEY T L	HMC		951-2709		JUN71

POSTAL

***FORGE POSTAL OFFICER	FUNK H E	CAPT		957-5219	957-5219	APR71
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PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE

FORCE PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICER	SCHIPPER G R	CAPT	2300/2272			OCT70
III MAF PAO IN TO XXIV CORPS	BURNETT L R	CWO		957-4024/4019		SEP70
PUBLIC AFFAIRS CHIEF	BAIRD J K	MSGT	2618/2300			MAR71
PRESS CHIEF	MARTIN B A	GYSGT	2618/2272			FEB71
<u>STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE</u>						

****FORGE SJA	MCCONNELL D F	COL		2179/2536	2342	JUN71
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SUPPLY SECTION

...FORGE SUPPLY OFFICER	SCHMID C H	COL	2204			JUL71
...ASST FORCE SUPPLY OFFICER	SELLERS J G	MAJ	2204			AUG71
SUPPLY CHIEF	SHEPPARD R R	MSGT	2564			NOV70

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HQ COMMANDANT	KLINEDINST J C	LTCOL	2206			DEC70
EXECUTIVE OFFICER	LEE H V	MAJ	2314			AUG71
ADMIN OFFICER	CORLEY W B JR	2NDLT	2531			NOV70
1STSGT	WILLIAMS J JR	1STSGT	2531			NOV70
SECTION CHIEF	DALL L F	GYSGT	2531			MAY71
ADMIN CHIEF	RIPPEE P J	SSGT	2531			OCT70
FOOD SERV NCOIC	AAGLAN S	SSGT	2674			DEC70
MAINT NCOIC	MURPHY C	GYSGT	2147			JUN71
CLUBS NCOIC	SCHMUCKER C	GYSGT	2669			MAY71

COMBINED ACTION FORCE HEADQUARTERS

COMMANDING OFFICER	ESTEY R F	COL		951-3196	951-2710	DEC70
EXECUTIVE OFFICER	ANDERSON W D	LTCOL		951-3196	951-2710	AUG70
CAF SGTMAJ	DAWSON J L	SGTMAJ		951-3018		MAR71
S-1 OFFICER	NOWICKI N J	CAPT		951-3018/3196		SEP70
ADMIN CHIEF	REICHERT J N	GYSGT		951-3018/3196		DEC70
DISBURSING NCOIC	MORROW H D	GYSGT		951-3118		NOV70
S-3 OFFICER	KILDAY J J	MAJ		951-2183/3581		FEB71
ASST S-3 OFFICER	CARPENTER T M	CAPT		951-2183/3581		FEB71
OPNS CHIEF	HILTON W H	GYSGT		951-2183/3581		MAR71
OIC VN LANG SCHOOL	SWANSON C L	1STLT		951-3212		DEC70
NCOIC CAF SCHOOL	DUVALL D W	GYSGT		951-2152		DEC70
COMM OFFICER	FLOWERS R D	1STLT		951-2183/3581		DEC70
S-4 OFFICER	MOORE W T	CAPT		951-2155/3191		OCT70
LOG CHIEF	COYNE J P	SGT		951-2155/3191		SEP70
HEADQUARTERS COMMANDANT	TERRELL T J	CAPT		951-2206		NOV70
MED COORDINATOR	LOOF E J	LCDR		951-2709		AUG71
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<u>2ND COMBINED ACTION GROUP</u>					
COMMANDING OFFICER	CHRISTENSEN D R	LTCOL	95150 "2ND CAG"		SEP70
EXECUTIVE OFFICER					
S-1 CHIEF	DECKER W J	MSGT	-do-		SEP70
S-3 OFFICER	NUGENT G E	MAJ	-do-		AUG70
S-4 OFFICER	FOX J T	CAPT	-do-		OCT70
1STSGT					
<u>1ST RADIO BATTALION (-) FME</u>					
COMMANDING OFFICER	RESNIK E D	LTCOL	951-3880		JUL71
EXECUTIVE OFFICER	CISEWSKI F L	MAJ	951-2711		JUL71
SGTMAJ	MURPHY J A JR	1STSGT	951-2904		JAN71
S-1/ADJUTANT	OWENS B W	CAPT	951-3339		JUL71
S-1 PERS CHIEF	MARTINEZ I JR	MSGT	951-2004		DEC70
S-2 OFFICER	KUYKENDALL W A	WO-1	957-5119		MAY71
S-3 OFFICER	CISEWSKI F L	MAJ	951-2711		JUL71
S-4 OFFICER	LEHRACK O J	MAJ	951-3283		JUL71
SUPPLY OFFICER	NEWMAN J A	1STLT	951-3439		APR71
P&R OFFICER	SMITH G E	CAPT	957-5148		DEC70
COMM OFFICER	GOTT J D	MSGT	951-3109/3107		JAN71
MT OFFICER	ALBERTS A	CAPT	951-3239		JUN71
•• DIRECT MAINT OFFICER	PICKUP R E	GYSGT	951-2558		OCT70
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<u>5TH COMMUNICATION BATTALION (REIN) FME</u>					
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•• COMMANDING OFFICER	SHATZER D E	LTCOL	951-3394		SEP70
•• EXECUTIVE OFFICER	ARMAN P T	MAJ	951-3494		JUL71
•• SGTMAJ	BELL	SGTMAJ	951-3559		AUG71
•• S-1/ADJUTANT	GRAYSON W B	1STLT	951-3594		SEP70
•• S-3 OFFICER	MCINTYRE D S	MAJ	951-3992		JAN71
•• S-4 OFFICER	PORTER C R	MAJ	951-2415		MAR71
•• HQCO					
•• COMMANDING OFFICER	OLEARY T P	CAPT	951-2817		SEP70
•• 1STSGT	LUKENS P D	1STSGT	951-2325		JUL71

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CARLTON R E
NELSON G I

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HERRYMAN R G
LOUDEN W JR

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Dental Officer	1
Embarkation Officer	2
Engineer	2
Surgeon	4
Supply Officer	2
Hq Commandant	5
CO 5th CommBn(Rein)FMP	10
CO 1st RadioBn(-)FMP	10
Disbursing Officer, FLC	1
Postal Officer	1
Director Red Cross	1
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Ref: (a) XXIV Corps Rice Denial Plan, OPlan 18-C-70 of 16 June 1970

(b) Maps Vietnam: Series L7014, Scale 1:50,000

Time Zone: H

1. SITUATION

a. Enemy Forces

- (1) Annex A (Intelligence) to Reference (a).
- (2) See current intelligence summaries and estimates.

b. Friendly Forces

- (1) Reference (a), para 1b.
- (2) Americal Div, supports rice denial operations in QUANG TIN and QUANG NGAI Provinces in cooperation and coordination with ARVN and other GVN elements located in AO and maintains the capability of providing a reaction force for the recovery of rice captured by the enemy.
- (3) 101st Airborne Div (AM) supports rice denial operations in THUA THIEN Province in cooperation and coordination with ARVN and other GVN elements located in AO and maintains capability of providing a reaction force for recovery of rice captured by the enemy.
- (4) 2d ROKMC BDE continues current operations.

c. Assumptions

- (1) Enemy main force units and VC local forces will continue combat operations during the rice harvest; rice collection efforts will increase as additional rice becomes available.
- (2) Enemy threats will remain at the same level.

2. MISSION

III Marine Amphibious Force continues current operations and, in close cooperation and coordination with GVN forces, supports rice denial and recovery operations in QUANG NAM Province.

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3. EXECUTION

- a. Concept of Operations. Rice and food denial operations will be conducted on a continuing basis during the three phases of rice harvest: Phase I, pre-harvest; Phase II, harvest; Phase III, post harvest. During the pre-harvest period (Phase I) III MAF, in coordination with ARVN forces, will place priority on the location and destruction of base camps, rear service and logistics bases, and the interdiction of enemy rice-gathering groups and supply routes into/away from populated areas. As the harvest season approaches (Phase II) the main effort will be toward limiting enemy access to rice producing areas by conducting saturation patrols and ambushes. Following the harvest (Phase III) III MAF will continue rice and food denial operations and maintain the capability of providing, at a minimum, a platoon size reaction force to recover any rice captured by the enemy. Traffic control points will be utilized to aid the delivery of the rice from the harvest site to the mills/storage sites. Throughout, territorial forces provide population security, conduct operations against the VC/VCI, and furnish protection for rice storage sites.
- b. CG, First MarDiv, in coordination with CO, QDSZ:
- (1) Continue current security and pacification operations in TAOR.
 - (2) Conduct heliborne operations to disrupt enemy lines of communication and to locate and destroy enemy base camps and logistic sites in QUANG NAM Province.
 - (3) Conduct saturation patrols and ambushes during rice harvest season to limit enemy access to production areas.
 - (4) Maintain the capability to provide a reaction force (at a minimum, one platoon) for recovery of rice captured by the enemy.
- c. CG, FMAW
- (1) Continue to provide tactical air support for U.S./FMAW/RVNAF throughout MR 1 as required or directed.
 - (2) Provide assets for transportation of rice to secure areas, as required.
- d. CG, ForLogCmd
- (1) Continue to provide service support in accordance with current directives.



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- (2) Provide transportation assets for movement of rice to secure area, as required.

e. Coordinating Instructions

- (1) Maximum use will be made of ambushes, patrols, sensors, night vision devices, radar, anti-intrusion devices and other surveillance means.
- (2) Close coordination with province chief, district chiefs, and ARVN forces will be maintained.
- (3) Surveillance and reconnaissance of known and suspected routes of infiltration will be intensified during the rice harvest, and for as long as necessary thereafter.
- (4) Traffic control points, coordinated by PM, XXIV Corps, will assist in maintaining the security of rice being transported to mills/storage sites.
- (5) Every effort will be made to evacuate captured rice and foodstuff to a secure area. If, however, evacuation is not possible, the food should be destroyed.
- (6) PSYOP. XXIV Corps PSYOP-OPORD 1-70 (RICE DENIAL PSYOP CAMPAIGN) (U) dated 11 May 1970.
- (7) Civil Affairs. Current Campaign Plans.
- (8) This plan is effective for planning upon receipt, and for execution in accordance with subparagraph (9) below.
- (9) This is a general contingency plan, not related to any one specific harvest period. Annual rice gathering periods for QUANG NAM Province are from 1 April to 31 May and from 1 September to 31 October, therefore, specific plans will be prepared for actual harvesting periods.

4. ADMINISTRATION AND LOGISTICS

- a. Force 4000.5B (Logistics - Standing Operating Procedures)
- b. In accordance with existing service regulations, command procedures, and reference (a).

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5. COMMAND AND COMMUNICATION - ELECTRONICS

- a. Command - No change
- b. Communication - Electronics. In accordance with III MAF
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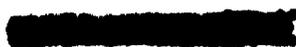
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