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1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion  
9th Marine Amphibious Brigade FMF  
FPO San Francisco, California 96602

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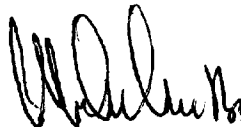
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Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 July to 13 July 1969

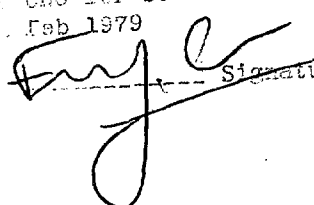
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(b) FMFPACO 5750.8A  
(c) DivO 5750.1C

Encl: ✓(1) 1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a), (b) and (c), enclosure (1) is submitted.

  
W. A. GRUBBS

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY  
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## PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion

Maj W. A. GRUBBS  
1-13 July 1969SUBORDINATE UNITS

H and S Company

1stLt E. L. BARLOW  
1-13 July 1969

Detachment, 1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion

1stLt K. L. T'KINDT  
1-6 July 1969  
1stLt R. L. SPENCE  
7-13 July 1969ATTACHED UNITS

2nd Provisional Security Platoon

1stLt L. E. HAMBLIN  
1-3 July 19692. LOCATION1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion, 1-3 July 1969;  
Camp Kistler, at CUA VIET PORT FACILITY, REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM.1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion, 3-12 July 1969;  
3d Marine Division REHABILITATION CENTER, CUA VIET, REPUBLIC OF VIET NAM.Detachment, 1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion, 1-13 July 1969;  
Camp SCHWAB, OKINAWA.3. STAFF OFFICERS

S-1

1stLt J. H. BENZ Jr.  
1-13 July 1969

S-2/S-3

1stLt M. I. PETERSON  
1-13 July 1969

S-4/Supply

1stLt K. L. T'KINDT  
1-13 July 1969

Communication Officer

CWO2 R. E. JOHNSTONBAUGH  
1-13 July 1969

Maintenance Officer

1stLt R. L. SPENCE  
1-13 July 1969

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Motor Transport Officer

1stLt G. R. TRIPLET  
1-3 July 1969

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
8	125	0	5

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## PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. General Overview of all Activities. During this reporting period, 1-13 July 1969, 1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion remained under operational control of 3d Marine Division. The first three days of the month were devoted to preparing to move across the Cua Viet River to provide close in and local security for the Rehabilitation Center. Final steps were accomplished in deactivating Camp Kistler and effecting the redeployment of the Battalion as directed by CG, III MAF msg 151036Z June 69 (S). On 2 July 1969, the fifth and final increment of LVT's embarked. On 3 July 1969, the Battalion completed the move across the Cua Viet River and assumed security for the Rehabilitation Center. The Battalion maintained security of the Rehabilitation Center until relieved of perimeter responsibility by the 1st Battalion 4th Marines on 11 July 1969 (ref 3d Mar Div Embarkation Order 1-69). On 12 July 1969, the Battalion proceeded to Quang Tri for final redeployment to Okinawa. On 13 July 1969, 1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion departed the Republic of Vietnam and Administrative Control was passed to CG, 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade (ref CG, 3d Mar Div msg 180352Z July 1969).

2. Command Relations. Coordination and cooperation with adjacent units, i.e., NSAD Clearwater, 3d Marine Division Rehabilitation Center, 1/61st, USA, "A" 4/12, USA, 1/77th, USA and the MACV Advisory Team in the Xuan Khahn Re-settlement Village have been continuous throughout this period. A liaison team in Okinawa maintained continuous coordination with 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade to ensure smooth debarkation and transfer of control.

3. Mission Assigned. From 1 July to 3 July 1969, 1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion continued to finalize the redeployment of the Battalion as directed by CG, III MAF msg 151036Z June 69 (S). From 3 July to 11 July 1969, the Battalion mission was to provide local and close in security for the 3d Marine Division Rehabilitation Center. The authority for this mission was verbal order from Col Kraince, Asst Chief of Staff, G-3, 3d Marine Division, issued to the Battalion Commander, Maj W. A. Grubbs on 16 June 1969. On 8 July 1969, Administrative Control of 1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion was passed to RLIT-9 (ref 3d Marine Division Administrative Order 1-69). On 11 July 1969, the Battalion was relieved of perimeter security and on 12 July 1969, moved to Quang Tri for redeployment to Okinawa (ref 3d Marine Division Embarkation Order 1-69). On 13 July 1969, following redeployment of the Battalion from the Republic of Vietnam, Administrative Control was passed to 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade (ref CG, 3d Mar Div msg 180352Z July 1969).

4. Intelligence. Due to the limited tactical mission of the Battalion, the S-2 section was primarily concerned with staying abreast of the tactical situation within the 3d Marine Division TAOR.

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5. Supporting Arms. Main artillery fire as well as harrassment and interdiction fires have been supplied by "C" Battery, 1/40th, USA.

6. Logistics. The overall logistical situation is satisfactory with the exception of the folowing areas:

a. LVT's. Critical situation concerning LVT auxiliary generators remains the same thus hindering the achievement of C-1 status. A total of twenty-one generators are required to remove LVT's from deadline.

b. Motor Transport. The motor transport deadline maintenance problems caused by terrain and weather in the Republic of Vietnam should be reduced with the redeployment of assets to Okinawa and the availability of repair parts.

c. Supply. The overall supply status is satisfactory. The response for LVT repair parts has been good except for a few items which have been difficult to obtain. These items are: auxiliary generators for the LVTP5 family of amphibious vehicles, long fan drive shaft assemblies, short fan drive shaft assemblies and shoulder bolts. All requisitions, held at Force Logistics Command, Danang, RVN, were cancelled due to this unit's redeployment from RVN. The supply section is reviewing these requisitions and resubmitting these documents that reflect a valid requirement.

7. Communication and Electronics. Upon assuming close in support and security for the Rehabilitation Center, radio/relay was established with intermittant success with 3d Marine Division. Prior to redeployment from the Republic of Vietnam, thirty-eight EE-8 field telephones were turned into Communication's Company, 3d Marine Division.

8. Equipment. The Battalion currently has a T/E deficiency of one LVTP5A1 (CMD), four LVTEL's and two IM-62 arc welding units. Lack of auxiliary generators for LVT's remain the greatest obstacle to reaching C-1 equipment readiness status.

9. Personnel and Administration. During the reporting period, four Marine officers and five enlisted were transferred and five enlisted personnel reported for duty. This resulted in a monthly average of 8 officers and 125 enlisted.

10. Artillery Attacks. During the reporting period, there were no artillery attacks and negative casualties and damage.

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## PART III

## SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1 July 1969

In view of the upcoming mission of maintaining the security of the 3d Marine Division Rehabilitation Center, Cua Viet (ref entry No 51 of 16 June 1969), two squads moved over as the advance security force for the R&R Center. The remaining element to follow on 3 July 1969.

Maj Davis, G-3, 3d Marine Division, disclosed by telcon with Maj Grubbs, CO, 1st Amtrac Bn, that the 2nd Provisional Security Platoon would be chopped OpCon from 1st Amtrac Bn on 3 July 1969.

Received RLT-9 Operation Order 6-69, accompanied by the Administration Order 1-69 and Embarkation Order 1-69.

2 July 1969

Commenced embarkation of last increment of LVT's aboard LSD-26, Tortuga.

LSD-26 departed with the 5th increment of personnel and LVT's with 1 officer/8 enlisted aboard. Estimated sailing time to Okinawa; 4 days.

3 July 1969

1st Amtrac Bn chopped OpCon the 2nd Provisional Security Platoon (ref entry No 4).

Due to the redeployment of 1st Amtrac Bn, Camp Kistler was formally deactivated.

On 16 June 1969, Col Kraince, Asst Chief of Staff, issued Maj Grubbs, CO, 1st Amtrac Bn, verbal orders that on/about 3 July or upon completion of the 5th increment of embarkation, 1st Amtrac Bn would relocate its CP. The new location will be the Cua Viet Rehabilitation Center. The relocation was completed as of this date.

4 July 1969

LSD-18, USS Colonial arrived at Oura-Wan Beach, Okinawa with the 4th increment of personnel and equipment.

Received 3d Mar Div Operation Order 21-69 accompanied by Administrative Order 1-69 and Embarkation Order 1-69.

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5 July 1969 No entry

6 July 1969 No entry

7 July 1969 LSD-26, USS Tortuga, arrived at Oura-Wan Beach, Okinawa, with the 5th and final increment of LVT's.

8 July 1969 1st Amtrac Bn AdCon to RLT-9 (ref 3d Mar Div Administrative Order 1-69).

1st Amtrac Bn received verbal order from the S-4 officer, 1st Bn 9th Marines that on 12 July 1969, 1st Amtrac Bn will proceed from the Cua Viet Rehabilitation Center and proceed to 1st Bn 9th Marines rear area. There they will await transportation to Danang.

9 July 1969 No entry

10 July 1969 No entry

11 July 1969 1st Bn 4th Marines releived the 1st Amtrac Bn of the security of the Cua Viet Rehabilitation Center.

12 July 1969 1st Amtrac Bn departed the Cua Viet area enroute to 1st Bn 9th Marines rear area (ref entry No 49).

1st Amtrac Bn arrived at 1st Bn 9th Marines rear area.

13 July 1969 1st Amtrac Bn departed the 1st Bn 9th Marines rear area to Quang Tri airport.

1st Amtrac Bn departed Quang Tri enroute to Danang.

1st Amtrac Bn arrived at Danang and commenced loading aboard LST 1161, Vernon County (ref 3d Mar Div Embarkation Order 1-69).

1st Amtrac Bn chopped AdCon from RLT-9 and AdCon to 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade.

LST 1161, USS Vernon County, departed Danang enroute to Okinawa with the last increment of personnel. The Colors of 1st Amtrac Bn accompanied the last increment.

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PART IV

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

1. STAFF JOURNALS

- ✓ a. S-1
- ✓ b. S-2/S-3
- ✓ c. S-4

2. ORIGINATED MESSAGES

- ✓ a. Index page
- ✓ b. Messages

MESSAGES ORIGINATED FROM  
1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BATTALION  
IN JULY 1969

DTG

1. 061355Z JUL 69 (C)

SUBJECT

CMC VISIT TO RVN

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II 012400 1969  
 to  
 II 022400 1969

## JOURNAL

TIME		Serial Number	DTG	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken S-Rep S-Staff F-File T-Logs
IN	OUT				
		1.	020001	Journal Opened	(S)
		2.	020800	Capt T.M.WHITESIDE transferred to 1st Marine Division for duty	(S)
		3.	020830	Pvt UDOVICH T.A. dropped nearest MARCORACTY CONUS-Separation	(S)
		4.	022400	Journal Closed	(S)

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 II 032400 1969

JOURNAL

TIME		Serial Number	DDI	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken R-Reg S-Staff F-File T-Tips
IN	OUT				
		5.	030001	Journal Opened	(S)
		6.	030800	No Reportable Items	(S)
		7.	032400	Journal Closed	(S)

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JOURNAL

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IN	OUT				
		8	040001	Journal Opened	(S)
		9.	040800	BOSS, J.H.Pfc and (02) Marines enlisted transferred to HqBn 3dMarDiv for duty	(S)
		10.	042400	Journal Closed	(S)

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TIME		Serial Number	DDI	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken D-Log S-Staff F-File T-Log
IN	OUT				
		11.	050001	Journal Opened	(S)
		12.	050800	No Reportable Items	(S)
		13.	052400	Journal Closed	(S)

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II 062400 1969

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IN	OUT				
		14.	060001	Journal Opened	(S)
		15.	060800	No Reportable Items	(S)
		16.	062400	Journal Closed	(S)



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II 072400 196 9

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IN	OUT				
		17.	070001	Journal Opened	(S)
		18.	070800	CHEPENIK 2dLt and (02) officers transferred to HqBn, 3dMarDiv for duty.	(S)
		19.	070830	MALDONADO, Cpl and (02) enlisted marines reported for duty	(S)
		20.	070900	WILSON, GySgt reported for duty	(S)
		21.	070930	SCOTT, Sgt dropped transferred nearest MarCorActy CONUS-Separation	(S)
		22.	072400	Journal Closed	(S)

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II082400 196 9

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TIME		Serial Number	DOC	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken M-Map S-Staff F-File T-Taps
IN	OUT				
		23.	080001	Journal Opened	(S)
		24.	080800	No Reportable Items	(S)
		25.	082400	Journal Closed	(S)

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 II 092400 1969

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TIME		Serial Number	DDO	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken Diag S-Staff F-File T-Tops
IN	OUT				
		26.	090001	Journal Opened	(S)
		27.	090800	No Reportable Items	(S)
		28.	092400	Journal Closed	(S)

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II 102400 1969

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TIME		Serial Number	DPO	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken R-Rep S-Staff P-File T-Tips
IN	OUT				
		29.	100001	Journal Opened	(S)
		30.	100800	No Reportable Items	(S)
		31.	102400	Journal Closed	(S)

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II 112400 1969

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TIME		Serial Number	DN	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken P-Map S-Staff F-File T-Maps
IN	OUT				
		32.	110001	Journal Opened	(S)
		33.	110800	No Reportable Items	(S)
		34.	112400	Journal Closed	(S)

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II 122400 1969

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TIME		Serial Number	DTG	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken Brief S-Staff F-File T-Tape
IN	OUT				
		35.	120001	Journal Opened	(S)
		36.	120800	No Reportable Items	(S)
		37.	122400	Journal Closed	(S)

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II 132400 1969

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TIME		Serial Number	DOW	Incidents, Messages, Orders, etc.	Action Taken M-Map S-Staff F-File T-Maps
IN	OUT				
		38.	130001	Journal Opened	(S)
		39.	130800	GALLAGHER Cpl and (01) enlisted Marine joined from HqBn 3dMarDiv for duty	(S)
		40.	132400	Journal Closed	(S)

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1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BN  
01 0001H 1969

July TO

01 2400H 1969

TIME IN	COT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0001		1	010001	Journal Opened	SF
	0830	2	010830	In view of the upcoming mission of maintaining the security of the 3d Marine Division Rehabilitation Center, Cua Viet (ref entry No 51 of 16 June 1969), two squads moved over as the advance security force for the R&R Center. The remaining element to follow on 3 July 1969.	SF
	1200	3	011200	S-2 disseminated password and challenge.	STF
1500		4	011500	Maj Davis, G-3, 3d Marine Division, disclosed by telcon with Maj Grubbs, CO, 1st Amtrac Bn, that the 2nd Provisional Security Platoon would be chopped from 1st Amtrac Bn on 3 July 1969.	SF
1600		5	011600	Received RLT-9 Operation Order 6-69, accompanied by the Administration Order 1-69 and Embarkation Order 1-69.	SF
2400		6	012400	SUMMARY OF PERIODS ACTION: 1st Amtrac Bn continues to apply all efforts toward the completion of redeployment of the Battalion as directed by CG, III MAF msg 151036Z June 69 (S).	SF

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1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BN  
020001H 1969

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022400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0755		7	020755	Commenced embarkation of last increment of LVT's aboard LSD-26, Tortuga.	SF
	1200	8	021200	S-2 disseminated password and challenge.	STF
	1620	9	021620	LSD-26 departed with the 5th increment of personnel and LVT's with 1 officer/8 enlisted aboard. Estimated sailing time to Okinawa; 4 days.	SF
2400		10	022400	<u>SUMMARY OF PERIODS ACTION:</u> 1st Amtrac Bn continues to apply all efforts toward the completion of redeployment of the Battalion as directed by CG, III MAF msg 151036Z June 1969 (S). With the completion of the 5th and final increment being embarked, all cargo, wheeled vehicles and LVT assets have been backloaded and are underway to Okinawa.	SF

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030001N 1969

July 10

032400N 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
1130	0730	11	030730	H&S Company patrol departed CP.	SF
	0900	12	030900	1st Amtrac Bn chopped OpCon the 2nd Provisional Security Platoon (ref entry No 4).	SF
		13	031130	H&S Company patrol returned to CP.	SF
	1200	14	031200	S-2 disseminated password and challenge.	STF
	1415	15	031415	Due to the redeployment of 1st Amtrac Bn, Camp Kistler was formally deactivated.	SF
	1600	16	031600	On 16 June 69, Col Kraince, Asst Chief of Staff, issued Maj Grubbs, CO, 1st Amtrac Bn, verbal orders that on/about 3 July or upon completion of the 5th increment of embarkation, 1st Amtrac Bn would relocate its CP. The new location will be the Cua Viet R&R Center. The relocation was completed as of this date.	SF
	2000	17	032000	H&S Company patrol departed CP.	SF

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03 0001H 1969

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03 2400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
2400		18	032400	SUMMARY OF PERIODS ACTION: With the completion of all cargo, wheeled and LVT assets being embarked to Okinawa, 1st Amtrac Bn assumed the mission of maintaining the security for the R&R Center (ref entry No 16), till such a time as 1st Amtrac Bn deploys from the Cua Viet area (ref 3d Mar Div Embarkation Order 1-69 (S) ).	SF

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040001H 1969

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042400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0230		19	040230	H&S Company Patrol returned to CP.	SF
0730		20	040730	LSD-18, USS Colonial arrived at Oura-Wan Beach, Okinawa with the 4th increment of personnel and equipment.	SF
	0840	21	040840	H&S Patrol departed CP.	SF
1115		22	041115	H&S Patrol returned to CP.	SF
	1200	23	041200	S-2 disseminated password and challenge.	STF
1600		24	041600	Received 3d Mar Div Operation Order 21-69 accompanied by Administrative Order 1-69 and Embarkation Order 1-69.	SF
	2000	25	042000	H&S Company Patrol departed CP.	SF
2400		26	042400	<u>SUMMARY OF PERIODS ACTION:</u> 1st Amtrac Bn continues to provide security for the 3d Mar Div Rehabilitation Center at Cua Viet. The 4th increment of personnel arrived at Okinawa on the USS Colonial.	SF

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05 0001H 1969

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TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0310		27	050310	H&S Company Patrol returned to CP	SF
	0720	28	050720	H&S Company Patrol departed from CP	SF
1000		29	051000	H&S Company Patrol returned to CP	SF
	1200	30	051200	S-2 disseminated password and challenge	STF
	1930	31	051930	H&S Company Patrol departed from CP	SF
2400		32	052400	SUMMARY OF PERIODS ACTION: 1st Amtrac Bn continues to provide security for 3d Mar Div Rehabilitation Center at Cua Viet.	SF

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July TO

06 2400H 1969

TIME IN	CUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0400		33	060400	H&S Company Patrol returned to CP	SF
	1200	34	061200	S-2 disseminated password & challenge	STF
	1930	35	061930	H&S Company Patrol departed from CP	SF
2400		36	062400	SUMMARY OF PERIODS ACTION: 1st Amtrac Bn continues to provide security for the 3d Mar Div Rehabilitation Center at Cua Viet.	SF

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070001H 1969

July TO

072400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0615		37	070615	H&S Company Patrol returned to CP	SF
0700		38	070700	LSD-26, USS Tortuga, arrived at Oua-Wan Beach, Okinawa with the 5th and final increment of LVT's.	SF
	0800	39	070800	H&S Company departed from CP	SF
1030		40	071030	H&S Company returned to CP	SF
	1200	41	071200	S-2 disseminated password and challenge	STF
	1930	42	071930	H&S Company Patrol departed from CP	SF
2400		43	072400	SUMMARY OF PERIODS ACTION: 1st Amtrac Bn continues to provide security for 3d Mar Div Rehabilitation Center at Cua Viet. The 5th and final increment arrived in Okinawa.	SF

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S-3 SECTION HEADQUARTERS  
1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BN  
08 0001H 1969

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08 2400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0001		44	080001	1st Amtrac Bn AdCon RLT-9 (ref 3d Mar Div Administrative Order 1-69	SF
0430		45	080430	H&S Company Patrol returned to CP	SF
	0800	46	080800	H&S Company Patrol departed from CP	SF
1030		47	081030	H&S Company Patrol returned to CP	SF
	1200	48	081200	S-2 disseminated password and challenge	STF
1600		49	081600	1st Amtrac Bn received a verbal order from the S-4 officer, 1st Bn 9th Marines that on 12 July 69 1st Amtrac Bn will proceed from Cua Viet Rehabilitation Center and proceed to 1st Bn 9th Marines rear area. There they will await transportation to Danang.	SF
	2000	50	082000	Two H&S Company Patrols departed from CP	SF
2400		51	082400	SUMMARY OF PERIODS ACTION: 1st Amtrac Bn continues to provide security of the 3d Mar Div Rehabilitation Center at Cua Viet. 1st Amtrac Bn AdCon to RLT-9 (ref 3d Mar Div Administrative Order 1-69	SF

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S-3 SECTION HEADQUARTERS  
1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BN  
090001H 1969

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TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0335		52	090335	One of the two H&S Company Patrols returned to the CP.	SF
0350		53	090350	Second one of the H&S Company Patrols returned to the CP.	SF
	0800	54	090800	H&S Company Patrol departed from CP	SF
1030		55	091030	H&S Company Patrol returned to CP	SF
	1200	56	091200	S-2 Disseminated password & challenge	STF
	1930	57	091930	H&S Company Patrol departed from CP	SF
2400		58	092400	<u>SUMMARY OF PERIODS ACTION:</u> 1st Amtrac Bn continues to provide security for 3d Mar Div Rehabilitation Center at Cua Viet.	SF

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S-3 SECTION HEADQUARTERS  
1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BN  
100001H 1969

July TO

102400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0430		59	100430	H&S Company Patrol returned to CP	SF
	0830	60	100830	H&S Company Patrol departed from CP	SF
1040		61	101040	H&S Company Patrol returned to CP	SF
	1200	62	101200	S-2 disseminated password & challenge	STF
1345		63	101345	Received CTF Clearwater msg 100430Z July (U), concerning destructing winds from tropical storm "Tress". Standing by for possible evacuation.	SF
1630		64	101640	Received CTF Clearwater msg 100630Z July (U), concerning storm. Preparations have been made for evacuation of the area.	SF
	2000	65	102000	H&S Company Patrol departed from CP	SF
2400		66	102400	SUMMARY OF PERIODS ACTION: 1st Amtrac Bn continues to provide security for 3d Mar Div Rehabilitation Center at Cua Viet.	SF

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S-3 SECTION HEADQUARTERS  
1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BN  
11 0001H 1969

July TO

11 2400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0230		67	110230	H&S Company Patrol returned to CP	SF
	0700	68	110700	1st Bn 4th Marines releived the 1st Amtrac Bn of the security of the Cua Viet Rehabilitation Center.	SF
	1200	69	111200	S-2 disseminated password and challenge.	STF
2400		70	112400	<u>SUMMARY OF PERIODS ACTION:</u> 1st Amtrac Bn was releived of the perimeter responsibility of the Cua Viet Rehabilitation Center by 1st Bn 4th Marines due to the impending redeployment of 1st Amtrac Bn (ref 3d Mar Div Embarkation Order 1-69).	SF

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S-3 SECTION HEADQUARTERS  
1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BN  
120001H 1969

July TO

122400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
	0930	71	120930	1st Amtrac departed the Cua Viet area enroute to 1st Bn 9th Marines rear (ref entry No 49)	SF
	1200	72	121200	S-2 Disseminated password & challenge	STF
1320		73	121320	1st Amtrac Bn arrived at 1st Bn 9th Marines rear	SF
2400		74	122400	SUMMARY OF PERIODS ACTION: 1st Amtrac Bn proceeded to 1st Bn 9th Marines rear to await transportation to Danang.	SF

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S-3 SECTION HEADQUARTERS  
1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BN  
130001H 1969

July TO

13 2400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC	ACTION
	0620	75	130620	1st Amtrac Bn departed the 1st Bn 9th Marines rear area to the Quang Tri airport.	SF
	1025	76	131025	1st Amtrac Bn departed Quang Tri airport enroute to Danang.	SF
1110		77	131110	1st Amtrac Bn arrived at Danang and commenced loading aboard LST 1161, Vernon County. (Ref 3d Mar Div Embarkation Order 1-69)	SF
1730		78	131730	1st Amtrac Bn chopped AdCon from RLT-9 and AdCon to 9th Marine Amphibious Brigade.	SF
	1900	79	131900	LST 1161, Vernon County, departed Danang enroute to Okinawa with the last increment of personnel. The Colors of 1st Amtrac Bn accompanied the last increment.	SF
2400		80	132400	<u>SUMMARY OF PERIODS ACTION:</u> 1st Amphibian Tractor Battalion redeployed from the Republic of Vietnam.	SF

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S-4 SECTION HEADQUARTERS  
1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BN  
130001H 1969

July TO

132400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0001		1	130001	Opened Journal	F
		2	130600	Moved troops and equipment to Quang Tri Air Terminal.	F
		3	131000	Boarded aircraft for movement to Danang.	F
		4	131045	Arrived Danang	F
		5	131130	Arrived Bridge Ramp and boarded USS Vernon County LST 1161 for redeployment to Okinawa.	F
		6.	131900	Underway to Okinawa	F
	2400	7	132400	Closed Journal	F

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1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACOR BN  
12 0001H 1969

July TO

12 2400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0001	2400	1	120001	Opened Journal	F
		2	120800	Dispatched Daily S-4 working party	F
		3	120830	Commenced movement of troops and equipment to Quang Tri.	F
		4	121320	Arrived at Quang Tri and billeted troops.	F
		5	122400	Closed Journal	F

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S-4 SECTION HEADQUARTERS  
1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACPOB BN  
110001H 1969

July TO

112400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0001		1	110001	Opened Journal	F
		2	110800	Dispatched Daily S-4 working party.	F
	2400	3	112400	Closed Journal	F

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S-4 SECTION HEADQUARTERS  
1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BN  
100001H 1969

July TO

102400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTC	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0001		1	100001	Opened Journal	F
		2	100800	Dispatched Daily S-4 working party.	F
	2400	3	102400	Closed Journal	F

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S-4 SECTION HEADQUARTERS  
1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BN  
090001H 1969

July 10

09 2400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0001		1	090001	Opened Journal	F
		2	090800	Dispatched Daily S-4 working party.	F
		3	091000	Notified Division Motor Transport concerning troop transportation to Quang Tri on 12 July 1969.	F
	2400	4	092400	Closed Journal	F

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S-4 SECTION HEADQUARTERS  
1ST AVIATION TRACTOR BN  
080001H 1969

July TO

082400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0001		1	080001	Opened Journal	F
		2	080800	Dispatched Daily S-4 working party.	F
		3	080900	Contacted S-4 1/9 and turned in personnel roster and cargo manifest for the move to Danang by aircraft.	F
	2400	4	082400	Closed Journal	F

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S-4 SECTION HEADQUARTERS  
1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BN  
070001H 1969

July TO

072400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0001		1	070001	Opened Journal	F
		2	070800	Dispatched Daily S-4 working party.	F
	2400	3	072400	Closed Journal	F

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S-4 SECTION HEADQUARTERS  
1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BN  
060001H 1969

July TO

062400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0001		1	060001	Opened Journal	F
		2	060800	Dispatched Daily S-4 working party.	F
		3	060830	Arranged transportation with NSAD Cua Viet for personnel going to disbursing office Quang Tri.	F
	2400	4	062400	Closed Journal	F

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 1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BN  
 050001H 1969

July TO

052400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0001		1	050001	Opened Journal	F
		2	050800	Dispatched Daily S-4 working party.	F
		3	050930	Sent vehicle to Quang Tri to pick up M274 from 3/3.	F
	2400	4	052400	Closed Journal	F

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1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BN  
040001H 1969

July TO

042400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0001		1	040001	Opened Journal	F
		2	040800	Dispatched S-4 daily working party	F
		3	041000	Issued ammunition to security section	F
		4	041600	Notified Boat Control NSAD Cua Viet on vehicle requiring transportation to Dong Ha for tomorrow.	F
	2400	5	042400	Journal Closed	F

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1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BN  
03 0001H 1969

July TO

03 2400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0001	2400	1	030001	Opened Journal	F
		2	030800	Dispatched Daily S-4 working party	F
		3	030900	Commenced closing of Camp Kistler and moving to Rehabilitation Center.	F
		4	032400	Closed Journal	F

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1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BN  
020001H 1969

July TO  
02 2400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTG	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0001		1	020001	Opened Journal	F
		2	020800	Dispatched Daily S-4 working party	F
		3	020815	Commenced loading USS Tortuga, LSD-26 with the following vehicles: 1-LVTR1-120012; 3 LVTP5A1 (CMD)- 108129, 108180, 107993; 31 LVTP5A1's- 107625, 107613, 108080, 107637, 107632, 108026, 107774, 107479, 107639, 107530, 108383, 108408, 108206, 108040, 107542, 108201, 108424, 108087, 108062, 108413, 108365, 107449, 107949, 108337, 108001, 107798, 108108, 108096, 107450, 107522, 107578.	SF
		4.	021615	Completed loading USS Tortuga LSD-26.	SF
	2400	5	022400	Closed Journal	F

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1ST AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BN  
01 0001H 1969

July TO

01 2400H 1969

TIME IN	OUT	SERIAL NUMBER	DTC	INCIDENTS, MESSAGES, ORDERS, ETC.	ACTION
0001		1	010001	Opened Journal	F
		2	010800	Dispatched Daily S-4 working party	F
		3	010830	Commenced staging vehicles on the sand ramp	SF
		4	011615	Submitted ordnance deadline report to Division Ordnance	S
	2400	5	012400	Closed Journal	F

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FM FIRST AMTRAC BN

TO CG THIRD MARDIV (REIN) FMF

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ATTN: CHIEF OF STAFF

SUBJ: CMC VISIT TO RVN

REF: (A) CG THIRD MARDIV MSG 020028Z JULY 69

1. RECEIPT OF REFERENCE (A) IS HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGED
2. THE FACT SHEETS REQUESTED IN REFERENCE (A) WILL NOT BE SUBMITTED BY THIS UNIT DUE TO IMPENDING MOVE FROM RVN ON OR ABOUT 15 JULY.

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