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1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
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Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 October to 31 October 1967

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(c) DivO 5750.2B

Encl: ✓ (1) 1st Engineer Battalion Chronology

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

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1st ENGINEER BATTALION

COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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PART IORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

1st Engineer Battalion

COMMANDERMajor J. M. MACKENZIE  
LtCol L. CASSEY25May67 - 20ct67  
30ct67 - PresentSUBORDINATE UNITS

H&amp;S Company (-)

Capt J. S. HACK

13Sep67 - Present

Support Company (-)

Capt E. A. HARRIS

15Sep67 - Present

Company "A" (-)(Rein)

Capt J. M. BUTLER, JR.

3Aug67 - Present

Company "B"

1stLt G. L. NEWKIRK

10ct67 - Present

Company "C"

Capt J. C. CHAMBLISS

10ct67 - Present

2. LOCATIONBattalion minus Company  
"B" (-)(Rein)

21Apr67 - 20ct67

DaNang, RVN

Battalion minus Company  
"A" (-)(Rein)

30ct67 - Present

DaNang, RVN

Company "B" (-)(Rein)

1Jul67 - 20ct67

Nui Huong Que, RVN  
(Hill 63)

30ct67 - Present

DaNang, RVN

Company "A" (-)(Rein)

30ct67 - Present

Quang Tri, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer

LtCol L. CASSEY  
Major R. C. JONES3Aug67 - 20ct67  
30ct67 - Present

Sergeant Major

1stSgt J. R. JOHNSON

4Sep67 - Present

S-1/Adjutant

2ndLt J. MOUTON

14Dec66 - Present

S-2

1stLt C. D. VENUTO

21Sep67 - Present

S-3

Maj R. C. JONES

26Jun67 - Present

S-4

Capt L. R. CORNWELL

14Mar67 - Present

Supply Officer

2ndLt J. G. KORAN

3Sep67 - Present

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Communications Officer	1stLt E. G. POULIN	12Jul67 - Present
Medical Officer	Lt T. H. LOECKER, USNR	1Aug67 - Present
M. T. Officer	Capt H. B. WENGER	10Sep67 - Present
Engineer Equipment Officer	WO D. T. CARRAWAY 1stLt L. E. RICE	6Sep67 - 15Oct67 16Oct67 - Present
Utilities Officer	1stLt G. L. MARCUM 1stLt R. C. BENSON 1stLt J. H. WILLER	20Sep67 - 20Oct67 30Oct67 - 9Oct67 10Oct67 - Present
Construction Officer	WO D. D. TAPLEY	28Jun67 - Present

4. Average Monthly Strength

<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>
634	35	12	2

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

The 1st Engineer Battalion made two major deployments during October 1967. During the period 2 - 5 October 1967, Company "A" (-)(Rein) deployed from the DaNang TAOR with the 1st Marine Regiment (-)(Rein) to an operations area near Quang Tri. During this same period, Company "B" (-)(Rein) deployed with the 5th Marine Regiment (-)(Rein) from Hill 63 and Que Son to areas formerly occupied by 1st Battalion, 1st Marines and 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines in the DaNang TAOR. Combat engineer companies, reinforced by elements of Headquarters and Service Company, and Support Company, were moderately committed to combat support missions during this period while simultaneously accomplishing various types of construction and maintaining their respective mine detection and clearing sweeps of roads. This Battalion (-) supported Operations: KNOX, ONSLOW, SUPERMAN and numerous small unit search and destroy operations and rough rider convoys. During the month of October 1967, 2,400,000 meters of road were swept for mines in the 1st Marine Division TAOR. Company "A" (-)(Rein) was in direct support of the 1st Marine Regiment (-)(Rein) accomplishing numerous work projects in the Quang Tri TAOR as well as close combat engineer support of Operations: MEDINA, OSCEOLA, GRANITE and numerous company sized search and destroy operations. Company "A" (-)(Rein) swept 78,000 meters of road for mines in the 3rd Marine Division TAOR.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

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~~REF ID: A6510~~1. Personnel

a. Gains and losses:	USMC	USN		
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
Dropped	4	52	0	0
Joined	5	49	0	1
b. <u>KIA</u>	<u>WIA</u>			
3	7			

2. Intelligence

## a. Road and Bridge Reconnaissance

(1) On 11 October 1967, road and bridge reconnaissances were conducted on routes # 3, 6, 1B, 1C, 1D, 12, 13C, route 14 east from highway # 1 to the South China Sea, Route 14 west from junction of route 1D to hill 37 and route 5 from An Hoa to the New Liberty bridge to assess the storm damage. Results were forwarded to the Division Engineer Officer.

## b. Weather

(1) On 8 October 1967, a tropical disturbance moved toward the southern coast of the I Corps area. Low ceilings, heavy precipitation and gusty winds prevailed through the 9th, causing extensive flooding and hampering engineer operations. From the 10th to the 14th of October, clearing skies and visibility increased and widely scattered showers briefly hampered air operations in the late afternoons. The weekly average temperature was: high - 84 and low - 74. Total rainfall for 8 - 14 October 1967 was 8.39 inches.

## c. Enemy ordnance

(1) Discovered and destroyed 9 box mines, one boobytrapped with a M-26 grenade, on routine sweeps in the 1st Marine Division TAOR.

(2) Discovered and destroyed (1) Z-10 AP mine, (2) Boobytrapped ChiCom AP mines, (1) Russian TM 41 AT mine, (2) Boobytrapped 105mm rounds, (2) Boobytrapped 155mm rounds and (2) Boobytrapped M-26 grenades, on routine sweeps in the 3rd Marine Division TAOR.

(3) Total enemy ordnance destroyed during this period:

<u>Box mines</u>	<u>ChiCom grenades</u>	<u>ChiCom AP mines</u>	<u>Z-10 mines</u>	<u>Russian TM 41</u>
9	36	2	4	1

<u>Chinese Claymore type mine</u>	<u>Handmade grenades</u>
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## d. Tunnel/Cave/Bunker/Fighting hole destruction:

(1) The following tunnels/caves/bunkers/fighting holes were destroyed:

- (a) 6 tunnels
- (b) 1 cave
- (c) 19 bunkers
- (d) 16 fighting holes

(2) In addition, 2 punjji pits, 1 hollowed out tree, 4 small caches of rice, and 4 pistols, 4 M16 rifles and 3 minnie guns from a crashed C-47 gunship were destroyed. 7 landing zones were cleared by engineers using explosives.

## e. Other ordnance

(1) The following types and quantities of U.S. ordnance were destroyed:

<u>M-26 grenades</u>	<u>60 MM rds</u>	<u>81 MM rds</u>	<u>105 MM illumination rds</u>	<u>155 MM rds</u>
21	170	1	12	4
<u>M-79 rds</u>	<u>345 rds</u>	<u>250 lb bomb</u>	<u>LAAWs</u>	<u>M-1 rds</u>
2	1	1	3	100
<u>Napalm cannisters</u>	<u>M16 mine</u>			
	2			58
<u>M2 AP mines</u>	<u>Claymore mine</u>	<u>Non-elect blasting caps</u>		
6	1	50		

3. Training

a. Demolitions, Landmine Warfare and Viet Cong Boobytrap School was attended by 138 infantry, 129 engineers and 12 personnel from other units.

b. During the month of October 1967, 5 one hour classes were held for Officers and SNCOs of this battalion covering the following subjects:

- (1) Communications
- (2) Utilities Equipment Management
- (3) Motor Transport Operations during the monsoons
- (4) Engineer Equipment Management
- (5) Construction Management

c. Conducted school on the operation and preventative maintenance of the M422, M37 and M274 for 16 Marines of this battalion, 3 separate classes were held throughout the month of October 1967.

d. Conducted school on supply catalogs, new supply catagories, allowance list, use of form 1348 - organic level, storage of supplies, formal account procedures and inventory control data to supply personnel of this battalion. 7 classes were held throughout the month of October 1967 with approximately 12 Marines from Battalion and Company supply sections attending each class.

e. Conducted one week school for seven Marines of this battalion on operation and maintenance of 5 ten multi-DOWNGRADED AT 3 YEAR INTERVALS vehicles. Operator licenses were issued to all seven Marines.

f. 2 officers and 5 enlisted personnel from this battalion attended 6 days of ADM refresher training at 3rd FSR, Sub Unit # 1, Camp Hauge, Okinawa from 16 October to 23 October 1967.

g. The 1st Engineer Battalion S-2 Officer attended a 3 day course on Psychological Operations at III MAF from 17 to 19 October 1967.

h. One officer and one NCO from the 1st Engineer Battalion conducted special classes on demolitions and Viet Cong boobytraps at the company areas of the following units: E/2/7, F/2/7, H/2/7 and H&S/2/7. A total of 200 students attended these special one day classes during this period.

#### 4. Operations

a. Operation MEDINA  
11 - 18 October 1967      Company "A" provided 2 platoons (-) for close combat engineer support to search and destroy operation MEDINA which commenced 11 October and ended on 18 October 1967.

Ref: CO, "A" Co AA Rpt BJM/1jj over 3480 of 21 Oct 67

b. Operation ONSLOW  
15 - 18 October 1967      Company "B" provided a platoon (-) for close combat engineer support of the 5th Marine Regiment search and destroy Operation ONSLOW which commenced 15 October and ended on 18 October 1967.

Ref: CO, "B" Co AA Rpt 6/GLN/trl over 3480 of 30 Oct 67

c. Operation KNOX  
24 - 30 October 1967      Company "C" provided an officer and one squad (Rein) for close combat engineer support of the 7th Marines search and destroy operation KNOX which commenced 24 October and ended on 30 October 1967.

Ref: CO, "C" Co AA Rpt JCC:jjs over 3480 of 3 Nov 67

d. Operation SUPERMAN  
27 - 30 October 1967      Company "B" provided one squad (-) for close combat engineer support of the 5th Marines search and destroy operation SUPERMAN which commenced 27 October and ended on 30 October 1967.

Ref: CO, "B" Co AA Rpt 6/GLN/trl over 3000 of 31 Oct 67

e. Operation OSCEOLA  
Still in progress      Company "A" is providing a squad (-) for close combat engineer support of the 1st Marine Regiment (-) search and destroy operation OSCEOLA which commenced on 19 October 1967.

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f. Operation GRANITE  
Still in progress Company "A" is providing one squad (Rein) for close combat engineer support of the 1st Marine Regiment (-) search and destroy operation GRANITE which commenced 26 October 1967.

g. Search and destroy Operation  
22 September- 2 October 1967 Company "C" provided a 4 Marine team for close combat engineer support of "D" Company, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines which commenced on 22 September and ended on 2 October 1967.

Ref: CO, "C" Co AA Rpt JCC:jjs over 3480 of 3 Nov 67

h. Search and destroy operation  
28 September- 1 October 1967 Company "C" provided a 5 Marine team for close combat engineer support to "L" Company, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines which commenced on 28 September and ended on 1 October 1967.

Ref: CO, "C" Co AA Rpt JCC:jjs over 3480 of 3 Nov 67

i. Search and destroy operation  
4 - 7 October 1967 Company "C" provided a 5 Marine team for close combat engineer support to "I" Company, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines which commenced on 4 October and ended on 7 October 1967.

Ref: CO, "C" Co AA Rpt JRK:apg over 3480 of 3 Nov 67

j. Search and destroy operation  
10 October 1967 Company "C" provided a 2 Marine team for close combat engineer support of "K" Company, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines on a search and destroy operation which commenced on 10 October and ended on 13 October 1967.

Ref: CO, "C" Co AA Rpt JRK:jjs over 3480 of 4 Nov 67

k. Mine Sweep Support  
17 October 1967 Company "C" provided a special mine detection team and clearing team consisting of one officer and 4 engineers to 3rd 8" Howitzer Battery to sweep road from bridge (AT 745708) to 3rd 8" Howitzer base camp.

l. Emergency bridge repair  
Company "B" provided engineers and materials to support ARVN engineers from Hoi An to make emergency repairs to damaged bridge (BT 098582) near the 1st Battalion, 5th Marines patrol base camp.

m. Mine and ordnance removal and destruction  
"G" Company, 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines moved into an ARVN base camp north of Hai Van pass. The perimeter wire contained Napalm, M-48 trip flares, M-2 AP mines, and M-16 AP mines. The following mines and ordnance were destroyed by engineer sweep team personnel: (58) M16 AP mines, (70) 60 mm rds, (6) M-2 AP mines, (9) 105 mm rds and 48 gallons of Napalm.

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## n. Rough Rider Convoys

During the month of October 1967, the 1st Engineer Battalion provided close engineer support to 15 rough rider convoys. This support consisted of 1 or 2 dump trucks with drivers and a 4 Marine team for mine detection and clearing and for emergency road repair.

5. Water Supply

a. During the month of October 1967, the 1st Engineer Battalion operated 11 water points, which produced a total of 7,574,400 gallons of potable water and 1,139,000 gallons of shower water.

6. Other Construction

a. During this period, units of the battalion completed the following division originated work orders:

(1) Conducted a survey of the Butler building complex in the 11th Motor Transport Battalion area to determine soil stabilization required to prevent erosion. Results of survey forwarded to DEO.

(2) Established drainage along the walkway at the 1st Marine Division Chapel.

(3) Evaluated, repaired bunker roof on COC bunker, 1st Battalion, 1st Marine Regiment.

(4) Repaired northern revetment and replaced bridge decking on the bridge at coordinates AT 857407. One span of the bridge was blown by enemy action on 2 October 1967.

(5) Installed anti-swimmer light signal warning device and bangalore torpedo demolition device on bridge at coordinates AT 970607.

(6) Provided technical assistance for the rewiring of Headquarters Company, 5th Marine Regiment.

(7) Installed culvert and regraded road to prevent water from running into the ammunition bunkers for 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.

(8) Provided materials to 1st Shore Party Battalion to complete interior of battalion COC bunker.

(9) Provided grader and engineer supervision for the installation of culvert, road upgrading and the installation of 6 gun pits for 3rd 155 gun battery, 11th Marines.

(10) Working in conjunction with MCB 9, corrected tower lean for 1st Anti-Tank Battalion.

(11) Requisitioned 15 pieces of 8"x8"x20' for the Construction Platoon, 7th Engineer Battalion for lumber borrowed for a classified operation on 9 August 1967.

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(12) Installed a 60 KW generator in the 11th Motor Transport Battalion's generator bank.

(13) Relocated and rebuilt (6) 16'x32' cantonment structures for 7th Marines.

(14) Improved drainage at LZ 413, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.

(15) Provided one TD - 15 for (4) days for monsoon preparations at "K" Battery, 4th Battalion, 11th Marines.

(16) Prepared holes for a deep septic tank and a deep grease trap for Headquarters Battalion, 1st Marine Division.

(17) Provided technical supervision to Headquarters Battalion, 1st Marine Division for the construction of a COC bunker.

(18) Repaired a foot bridge in the 1st Force Reconnaissance Company area.

(19) Repaired culvert and improved drainage ditches in the 11th Motor Transport Battalion area.

b. During this period, units of the battalion completed the following battalion originated work orders:

(1) Provided engineer support to clear fields of fire and grade area at hill 55 for the 7th Marine Regiment Command Post.

(2) Accomplished necessary work for security reasons and to improve the efficiency of the Support Company office, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(3) Constructed a urinoil at the SNCO shower, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(4) Provided a TD - 15 with bucket loader to load trucks with rock for 3 days to the 7th Engineer Battalion for emergency repairs to highway 1.

(5) Constructed five office desks for the administration personnel at "C" Company, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(6) Constructed a typewriter stand for the S-3 section, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(7) Constructed 378 standard pallet boxes for the 1st Engineer Battalion mount out supplies.

(8) Constructed and waterproofed four telephone boxes for the Communications Section, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(9) Constructed a 16'x32' cantonment structure for Support Company, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(10) Provided fifty pieces of 18" culvert to relieve drainage problem at the Military Police Battalion, 1st Marine Division.

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(11) Provided a TL - 16 (forklift) to 11th Motor Transport Battalion to load trucks (4 hours), requested by 1st Marine Division, G-4.

(12) Installed three fluorescent lights within the Headquarters building, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(13) Provided (137) pigtails to 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines for bridge security lighting.

(14) Constructed a total of (66) crates for 55 GPM pumps, filter section and machinery sections of the water purification units, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(15) Drafted plans for a proposed overhead for the 1st Engineer Battalion outdoor theater.

(16) Constructed (4) mount out boxes for the Engineer Equipment Platoon, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(17) Extended existing pipe for drain off on new shower at H&S Company, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(18) Provided TD-15 with bucket to load trucks with rock for G-4, FLC.

(19) Constructed five office desks for administration personnel, "B" Company, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(20) Repaired drainage leading from messhall immersion can burner platform, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(21) Constructed a cantonment structure for "B" Company mine sweep team personnel with 3rd Battalion, 5th Marines.

(22) Provided a TL-16(loader) to the 11th Motor Transport Battalion to load trucks.

(23) Relocated the 1st Engineer Battalion Police Shed to a location west of the existing H&S Company Supply shed.

(24) Removed end wall of the 1st Engineer Battalion Supply building and replaced it with swing-out type doors.

(25) Fabricated two charts for the Communications Section's radios and vehicles, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(26) Removed by demolitions, a natural rock wall 7' high, 6' long and 4' deep for 1st Reconnaissance Battalion, 1st Marine Division. The wall was a hazard when test firing M-16 and M-60 weapons.

(27) Replaced spotlight at the Dai La pass bunker and repaired switch to spotlight in tower # 15, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(28) Repaired wing tank containers used to distribute oil on area roads for Motor Transport Section, 1st Engineer Battalion.

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(29) Completed the shower at the tire/battery shop at the Motor Transport Section, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(30) Fabricated a sign for 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.

(31) Constructed ten hot lockers for M-60 machineguns for Support Company, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(32) Installed an electrical outlet at the road bunker at Dai La Pass, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(33) Provided construction materials for the use by 1st Shore Party Battalion on hill 10, 7th Marines CP.

(34) Constructed two file cabinets for correspondence and directives for the 1st Engineer Battalion S-1 Section.

(35) Provided a TD-15 and a M-51 to haul ten loads of sand from Red Beach for mixing concrete, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(36) Constructed a paint locker for Support Company, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(37) Provided construction materials to replace roof on the clinic at CAP Q-4 which was blown off in recent storm.

(38) Provided 5 truckloads of sand to Communications Section, 1st Engineer Battalion to fill sand bags.

(39) Prefabricated two 3'x10' duckboards for "C" Company, 1st Engineer Battalion squad at 1st Battalion, 5th Marines.

(40) Provided the 1st Engineer Battalion Police Sergeant with materials to construct stiles and a gate to prevent cows from entering the battalion area.

(41) Constructed four mount out boxes for Communications Section, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(42) Constructed nine mount out boxes for the 1st Engineer Battalion Aid Station.

(43) Fabricated and painted 26 warning signs in Vietnamese language for the Landmine Warfare School, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(44) Constructed 14 boxes for messhall field ranges for the 1st Engineer Battalion.

(45) Repaired upper level of road leading to CG, 1st Marine Division quarters.

(46) Enclosed the SNCO and Officer's shower and head at Support Company, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(47) Prepared the 1st Engineer Battalion messhall for the coming monsoon season.

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(48) Constructed a bond drive sign and a Purple Heart display board for Company "B", 1st Engineer Battalion.

(49) Constructed a weapons rack to hold five weapons for the 1st Engineer Battalion Aid Station.

(50) Provided Drafting and Surveying Section, 1st Engineer Battalion with approximately 300 hub, cut and fill stakes.

(51) Fabricated a sign for the establishment of a clinic at CAP Q-4, Hoa Phu.

(52) Constructed 20 immersion heater crates for 2nd Battalion, 7th Marines.

(53) Constructed a box for 4 gas masks to be used at the Dai La Pass, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(54) Established drainage in the 3rd Battalion, 1st Marines patrol base camps.

(55) Constructed a 16'x16' cantonment structure for "C" Company, 1st Engineer mine sweep team personnel at hill 55.

(56) Provided 15 Bags of cement to the Engineer Maintenance Platoon, 1st Force Service Regiment.

(57) Installed 2 gates at the Bulk Fuel Farm, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(58) Installed a false roof on the COC bunker at hill 10, 1st Battalion, 7th Marines.

(59) Constructed and installed a Battalion Bulletin Board adjacent to the Messhall at 1st Engineer Battalion.

(60) Provided 9 sheets of  $\frac{1}{2}$ " plywood to the S-5 section of Headquarters Battalion, 1st Marine Division.

(61) Issued 5 sheets of  $\frac{1}{2}$ " plywood to 1st Engineer Battalion Aid Station to provide covers for mount out boxes.

(62) Provided 100 lbs of 16d Nails for repairs to the Division SNCO Club.

(63) Constructed two 16'x32' cantonment structures for the 1st Engineer Battalion personnel at hill 10, 22A; 7th Marines.

(64) Constructed a building to contain a shower unit for "C" Company, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(65) Constructed a 16' partition to separate office area from tool room to accomodate Engineer Equipment for "C" Company, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(66) Made necessary repairs to the Hoa Phu bridge as a civic action program.

(67) Constructed five doors for 16'x32' cantonment structures at hill 37 for 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.

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(68) Erected an addition to the SNCO Club at hill 37, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.

(69) Constructed two 16'x32' cantonment structures at hill 37, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.

(70) Constructed an Officer's shower at hill 37, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.

(71) Renovated 3 ammunition bunkers at hill 37, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.

(72) Constructed duckboards, dug drainage ditch and replaced worn sandbags on bunker # 16, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(73) Constructed a bookcase for the administration files of "C" Company, 1st Engineer Battalion.

(74) Improved 1,000 meters of access road to 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines Patrol Base near Quang Tri.

(75) Prepared tent sites, dug ordnance pits and garbage disposals pits for 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines.

(76) Dug ammunition bunkers, prepared six gun positions and graded access road for Company "A", 1st Battalion, 11th Marines.

(77) Dug three revetments for LSA near Quang Tri.

(78) Dug one ammunition bunker for 1st Battalion, 11th Marines.

(79) Graded and established drainage for LSA at Quang Tri.

(80) Constructed four 16' knife rests for 1st Marine Regiment.

(81) Cleared camp site for Company "B", 1st Medical Battalion.

(82) Moved berms and improved drainage in 1st Marine Command Post.

(83) Cleared area for messhall for 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines.

(84) Constructed temporary mess tables for 1st Marine Regiment.

(85) Constructed 3,000 meters of triple concertina wire for perimeter defense at 1st Battalion, 1st Marines. patrol base.

(86) Constructed 344' of picket fence, two 2'x6' gates and one 1'x3' gate for 1st Marine Regiment.

(87) Dug ammunition bunker for ASP.

(88) Dug positions for communications section for 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines.

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(89) Hauled fill to 2nd Battalion, 1st Marines patrol base.

(90) Constructed drafting desk and "A" frame for 1st Marine Regiment S-2 Officer.

(91) Constructed 12'x24'x8' sandbag and steel bunker for Company "B", 1st Medical Battalion.

#### 7. Civil Affairs/Civic Action

a. The 1st Engineer Battalion Civil Affairs Section with the cooperation and assistance from the villagers of Hoa Phu completed work on the foot bridge project. 24 October 1967. The bridge was constructed by 15 Vietnamese workers and an advisor from 1st Engineer Battalion. The village and hamlet chief requested this project to enable the children to attend school, sponsored by the 1st Engineer Battalion, during the monsoon.

b. A total of 10 wells were constructed in the Hamlet of Phouc Hung from materials received from the Government of Vietnam channels with assistance from Civil Operations Revolutionary Development Support. Materials consisted of cement, sand and gravel. The hamlet is presently planning to construct 8 more new wells.

c. The clinic at the village of Hoa Phu is currently undergoing extensive reconstruction after being damaged by a storm on 8 October 1967. A new roof was constructed on 20 October 1967, the reconstruction of the treatment room was completed on 30 October 1967, new cabinets and a "L2" shape treatment table were constructed. Reconstruction of the ward is presently underway. This clinic is extremely successful and at present the 1st Engineer Battalion Medical Section is training one of the local females as a nurses aid and another female as a midwife.

d. With the cooperation of the Hamlet and Village chief, this Battalion's S-5 section is embarking on a campaign to administer tetanus and typhoid immunizations to the people of Phouc Hung, Tru Dong, Phouc Thoc and Thai Lai hamlets. The program is scheduled to start on 30 October 1967.

e. Arrangements have been made with the S-5 of the 1st Marine Air Wing to fly a civilian to Saigon to procure a wooden leg. The S-5 of the 1st Marine Air Wing stated it would take approximately 30 days.

f. The below listed number of Vietnamese are currently receiving OJT Vocational training within this organization in the categories listed below:

<u>Number</u>	<u>Job Title</u>
2	Head carpenter
9	carpenters
2	welders
1	painter
1	warehouseman
1	Nurses Aid
1	Maintenance Man
4	Auto Serviceman
2	Diesel Mechanic
4	Auto Mechanic
1	Plumber
1	Head Electrician

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8. Religious Affairs

a. Catholic and Protestant services were held at the Battalion Chapel on Sundays at 0830 for Catholics and 1000 for Protestants.

b. Catholic weekday and Sunday services for the month of October 1967 totaled 5. Catholic services were held for other units by the Chaplain, these numbered 15.

c. Bible Study discussion is held every monday evening for the Protestant members of the battalion.

d. Memorial services were held for 3 men of this battalion.

PART IVSUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

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COMPANY "A"  
1st Engineer Battalion  
1st Marine Division (Rein) FMR  
FPO, San Francisco 96602

BJM/1jj  
3480  
21 Oct 1967

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, 1st Engineer Battalion

Subj: Combat after action report

Ref: (a) DivO 3480.1  
(b) MAP Vietnam 1:50,000 Sheet 6442 III

1. Code Name: Operation Medina

2. Dates of Operation: 110600H Oct67 to 191500H Oct67

3. Location: Quan Mai Lang Province

4. Command and Control Headquarters: 1st Marine Regiment, Col ING

5. Task Organization: N/A

6. Supporting Force: N/A

7. Intelligence: 1/1, S-2

8. Mission: Engineers in support of A,B,C, & D Companies, 1/1 went on an eight day search and destroy operation.

9. Concept of operation: One NCO and four men in support of A,B, & C Companies and One NCO and five men supporting D Co. One Officer and one NCO were with 1/1 Command Group.

10. Execution: The Engineer team departed 1/1 CP on 111200H Oct67 and returned on 181700H Oct67. The operation commenced at 110600H Oct67 and terminated on 191500H Oct67. The following was accomplished by the team:

Alpha Co. Blew one LZ with 45 pounds of C-4

Bravo Co. Blew one M-26 and 100 60mm mortar with 30 pounds of C-4  
Blew assorted captured & friendly Ammo with 10 pounds of C-4  
Cleared fields of fire with 20 pounds of C-4

Charlie Co. Blew one LZ with 15 pounds of C-4

Blew USMC gear with 150 pounds of TNT

Blew assorted ammo with 30 pounds C-4

Cut one LZ with chain saw for three hours

Assisted putting in rope bridge for river crossing

Delta Co. Blew one LZ with 20 pounds of C-4

Blew USMC gear and Ammo with 30 pounds of C-4

Assisted in putting up rope bridge for river crossing

Total demolition used - 200 pounds C-4

150 pounds TNT

11. Results: As noted above.

12. Administrative remarks: NONE

13. Special Equipment and Techniques: NONE

14. Commanders Analysis: The work of the Engineers was routine and no unusual problems were encountered.

J. M. BUTLER, JR.

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COMPANY "B"  
1st Engineer Battalion  
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
FPO San Francisco, California 96602

6/GLN/trl  
3480  
30 Oct 67

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, 1st Engineer Battalion  
  
Subj: Combat Operation After Action Report  
  
Ref: (a) BnR 3480  
      (b) Maps of Vietnam: Series L7014, Sheet numbers 6540 II, 6640 II,  
      and 6640 III.  
  
Enclo: (1) 1st Platoon report submitted by 2ndLt. R. D. CLEARFIELD

1. Code Name. Operation "ONSLOW".
2. Date. 15 October 1967 to 18 October 1967.
3. Location. Province of Tinh Quang Nam of the Republic of Vietnam.
4. Control or Command Headquarters.
  - a. Commanding Officer, First Battalion, Fifth Marines- Lieutenant Colonel VANDENBURGH, USMC.
  - b. Commanding Officer, H&S Company, First Battalion, Fifth Marines- First Lieutenant D. L. MC INTURFF, USMC.
  - c. Commanding Officer, "B" Company, First Battalion, Fifth Marines- First Lieutenant KLEKATRICK, USMC.
  - d. Commanding Officer, "C" Company, First Battalion, Fifth Marines- Captain BURROWS, USMC.
  - e. Commanding Officer, "D" Company, First Battalion, Fifth Marines- First Lieutenant FULFORD, USMC.
  - f. Commanding Officer, "B" Company, 1st Engineer Battalion- First Lieutenant G. L. NEWKIRK, USMC.
  - g. Platoon Commander, First Platoon, "B" Company, 1st Engineer Battalion- Second Lieutenant R. D. CLEARFIELD, USMC.
5. Task Organization. "B" Company had one (1) Squad from the First Platoon committed on Operation "ONSLOW". This squad was attached to First Battalion, Fifth Marines.
6. Supporting Forces. Not Applicable.
7. Intelligence. In the briefing given prior to the operation, no significant engineer intelligence was promulgated.
8. Mission. To provide direct combat engineer support for the First Battalion, Fifth Marines.
9. Concept of Operation. Search and destroy operation.

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10. Execution. See enclosure (1).

11. Results. See enclosure (1).

12. Administrative Matters. None.

13. Special Equipment and Techniques. None.

14. Analysis. Operation "ONSLOW" was a small search and destroy operation in which available combat Engineer support was in general, adequately and appropriately utilized. There were no reports of misuse or inadequate Engineers.

15. Recommendations. None.

23 Dec 1968  
C. L. NEWKIRK

ENCLOSURE (1) 1. Execution.

a. Aachronological synopsis of significant engineer activity of the 1st Platoon during Operation "ONSLOW" follows:

- (1) 16Oct67- Engineer team with "C" Company, 1/5 destroyed one (1) 155mm round at Bt 128538, using 4 pounds of C-4.
- (2) 18Oct67- Engineer team with "D" Company, 1/5 destroyed two (2) M26 fragmentation grenades at Bt 130538, using 3 pounds of C-4.

2. Results.

- a. There were no engineer medevacs on Operation "ONSLOW".
- b. The following quantities of ordnance was destroyed during the operation:

155mm round- 1

M26 grenades- 2

- c. The following quantities of demolition materials were utilized on the operation:

(1) 7 pounds of C-4.

3. Assignments.

- a. Battalion CP.  
2nd Lt. R. D. CLEARFIELD  
CPL K. L. COLLIN
- b. "C" Company  
LCPL R. E. WITTELL  
LCPL D. W. LEMBERT
- c. "D" Company  
LCPL J. B. RIVIER  
PVT R. F. LESSARD

ENCLOSURE (1)

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COMPANY "B"  
1st Engineer Battalion  
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
FPO San Francisco, California 96602

6/GLN/trl  
3000  
31 Oct 67

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, 1st Engineer Battalion  
Subj: Combat Operation After Action Report  
Ref: (a) BnB 3480  
(b) Maps of Vietnam Series L7014, Sheet Number 6640 IV  
Encl: (1) 3rd Platoon report submitted by 1st Lt. E. R. HARDMAN

1. Code Name. Operation "SUPERMAN".
2. Date. 27 October 1967 to 30 October 1967.
3. Location. Province of Quam Dien Ban of the Republic of Vietnam.
4. Control or Command Headquarters.
  - a. Commanding Officer, Third Battalion, Fifth Marines- Lieutenant Colonel ROCKY, USMC.
  - b. Commanding Officer, "C" Company, First Battalion, Fifth Marines- Captain BURROWS, USMC.
  - c. Commanding Officer, "I" Company, Third Battalion, Fifth Marines- Captain SPIKER, USMC.
  - d. Commanding Officer, "L" Company, Third Battalion, Fifth Marines- Captain NIOTIS, USMC.
  - e. Commanding Officer, "B" Company, 1st Engineer Battalion- First Lieutenant G. L. NEWKIRK, USMC.
  - f. Platoon Commander, Third Platoon, "B" Company, 1st Engineer Battalion- 1st Lieutenant E. R. HARDMAN, USMC.
5. Task Organization. "B" Company had one (1) Squad from the Third Platoon committed on Operation "SUPERMAN". This squad was attached to Third Battalion, Fifth Marines.
6. Supporting Forces. Not Applicable.
7. Intelligence. In the briefing given prior to the operation, no significant Engineer intelligence was promulgated.
8. Mission. To provide direct combat Engineer support for Third Battalion, Fifth Marines.
9. Concept of Operation. Search and destroy operation.

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10. Execution. See enclosure (1).

11. Results. See enclosure (1).

12. Administrative Matters. None.

13. Special Equipment and Techniques. None.

14. Analysis. Operation "SUPERMAN" was a small scale search and destroy operation in which available combat Engineer support was in general, adequately and appropriately utilized. There were no reports of misuse or inadequate Engineers.

15. Recommendations. None.

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G. L. NEWKIRK

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1. Execution.

a. A chronological synopsis of significant engineer activity of the ~~team~~ during Operation "SUPERMAN" follows:

1. 27Oct67- Engineer team with "L" Company, 3/5 destroyed one (1) Chi Com grenade, five (5) non-electric blasting caps at BT 032620 using 1/4 pounds of C-4. Also, twenty-two (22) handmade grenades, one (1) M-79 round, and one hundred (100) rounds of M-1 ammunition at BT 029620 using 1/4 pounds of C-4. Also, one (1) LAW, and one (1) M-26 fragmentation grenade at BT 030619 using 1/4 pounds of C-4.
2. 28Oct67- Engineer team with "L" Company, 3/5 destroyed one (1) 81mm mortar round, and one (1) 105mm Illumination round at BT 026819 using 1/4 pounds of C-4. Also, one (1) LAW, and one (1) 3.5 rocket round, one (1) handmade grenade, and one (1) bomb shelter at BT 028620 using 2 1/2 pounds of C-4.
3. 28Oct67- Engineer team with "C" Company, 1/5 destroyed one (1) M-26 fragmentation type grenade at BT 030621 using 1/4 pounds of C-4. Also, blew one (1) bunker 4' x 8' at BT 030771 using 2 1/2 pounds of C-4.
4. 29Oct67- Engineer team with "L" Company, 3/5 destroyed one (1) coke can mine at BT 028620 using 1/4 pounds of C-4.
5. 29Oct67- Engineer team with "I" Company, 3/5 destroyed one (1) tunnel at BT 994632 using 5 pounds of C-4, also, one (1) tunnel at BT 944633 using 2 pounds of C-4, also, one (1) tunnel at BT 993633 using 2 1/2 pounds of C-4, also, one (1) Z-10 mine at BT 944633 using 1/4 pounds of C-4.

2. Results.

- a. There were no engineer medevacs on Operation "SUPERMAN".
- b. The following quantities of ordnance was destroyed during the operation.

1	Chi Com grenade	2	LAW's
3	Tunnels	1	81mm mortar round
1	Z-10 mine	1	105mm illumination round
2	Bunkers	1	3.5 rocket round
2	M-26 grenades	100	M-1 rounds
22	Handmade grenades	50	Non-electric blasting caps
1	14 1/2 round		

- c. The following quantities of demolition materials were utilized on the operations.
  - (1) 16 pounds of C-4.

3. Assignments.

- a. "L" Company
 

Cpl R. J. KROMKO  
 LCpl J. A. CONNORS  
 Cpl S. D. BARTALS
- b. "C" Company
 

LCpl G. D. HILL  
 Pfc C. M. BEYERS

- c. "D" Company
 

LCpl J. B. RIVERA  
 Pvt R. S. LESSARD

ENCLOSURE (1)

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COMPANY "C"  
 1st Engineer Battalion  
 1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
 FPO San Francisco 96602

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 3480  
 3 Nov 1967

From: Commanding Officer  
 To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines  
 Vin: Commanding Officer, 1st Engineer Battalion  
 Subj: Combat After Action Report

Ref: (a) DivO 3480.1  
 (b) Map Vietnam 1:50,000 Series L7014 6540 I, 6541 II

1. Code Name: Operation KNOX

2. Dates of Operation. 0800 24 Oct 1967 to 1200 30 Oct 1967

3. Location. Quan Phu Loc, Quang Nam Province, Republic of Vietnam

4. Command and Control Headquarters:

7th Marines Col. R. E. MINER

2d Battalion, 7th Marines Lt Col. J. E. LOVE

2d Platoon, Company "C"  
 1st Engineer Battalion 2d Lt C. J. GANNON

5. Task Organization:

2d Platoon, Company "C", 1st Engineer Battalion

6. Supporting Forces: N/A

7. Intelligence: 7th Marine Regiment: ISUMS

8. Mission: To provide close combat engineer support to the United States Marine Corps forces in the area of operation in the Quan Phu Loc, Quang Nam Province, Republic of Vietnam.

9. Concept of Operations: 2d Platoon, Company "C", 1st Engineer Battalion in direct support of 2d Battalion, 7th Marines destroyed enemy bunkers and ordnance and cleared landing zones when required.

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10. Execution: At 1830 23 Oct 1967 a briefing was held at the Company "G" combat outpost concerning Operation KNOX.

Operation KNOX was started at 0815 24 Oct 67. Engineer teams were provided for Companies, Golf, Hotel and India, a total of 16 Engineers. Extra men were assigned to the operation because of reports from the infantry that the area the operation would be in contained extensive bunkers and tunnels.

On 24 Oct 67 engineers in support of Golf Company destroyed a dud 250 Lb bomb with 10 lbs C4 found at LZ Hawk coordinates ~~ZC~~ 153989. Engineers with India Company cleared an LZ at coordinates ~~ZC~~ 174981 using 51  $\frac{1}{2}$  Lb C4. Later the same day they cleared another LZ at ~~ZC~~ 175982 using 27  $\frac{1}{2}$  Lb C4. At approximately 1730 that afternoon engineers with Company "G" destroyed a 155 shell using 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  Lbs of C4 at coordinates ~~ZC~~ 185972. The shell was found about 4 feet off a trail; it had no wires connected to it and did not appear to be placed there by the enemy for harassment purposes.

On 25 Oct 67 the companies were situated on a ridge, adjacent to hill #475. Here engineers with Company "G" destroyed a Chinese made hand grenade with 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  Lbs C4. They also cleared an LZ at ~~ZC~~ 179972 using 60 Lbs C4. Engineers in support of Company "H" destroyed 11 bunkers using 5 Lbs of C4 on each. The bunkers were big enough to hold two men. Eight Chinese hand grenades were found and destroyed simultaneously with the bunkers. A claymore type mine of Chinese manufacture was also destroyed by Company "H" Engineers using 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  Lbs of C4 in the same area. Engineers in support of Company "I" destroyed a tree at ~~ZC~~ 176976. The tree was a possible air vent or hiding place as the inside was hollowed out. Five pounds of C4 was used.

On 26 Oct 67 Engineers in support of Company "H" destroyed a cave at ~~ZC~~ 181967 using two cratering charges. There was also a 30 foot tunnel starting at the rear of the cave. It was destroyed with 5 Lbs of C4. The cave was approximately 15 feet high, 15' wide and 20 feet deep. Engineers in support of Company "I" cleared an LZ at ~~ZC~~ 176976 using 80 Lbs of C4 and 2000 ft of detonating cord.

On 27 Oct 67 engineers in support of Company "G" destroyed an M26 and an M79 mine at coordinates ~~ZC~~ 192984. A tunnel was found at ~~ZC~~ 192986 and was destroyed with 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  Lbs of C4. The entrance to it was at the edge of a stream and extended approximately 20 feet into the hillside. It was partially caved-in. Engineers in support of Company "H" destroyed a napalm round at ~~ZC~~ 171972 using 7  $\frac{1}{2}$  Lbs of C4.

On 28 Oct 67 engineers in support of Company "G" destroyed a LAAW at ~~ZC~~ 157003 using 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  Lbs of C4. Engineers in support of Company "I" destroyed 4 pistols, 4 M16 rifles and 3 minnie guns from an aircraft that had crashed 2 weeks before, 11  $\frac{1}{2}$  Lbs of C4 were used; coordinates were ~~ZC~~ 134940.

The remainder of the operation was spent in search and destroy from the LZ east to Route 1 and 2000 meters on the east side of Route 1. No tunnels were found nor was any ordnance found. The operation was secured 1200 30 Oct 67.

11. Results: A landing zone was cleared at ZC 179972; its size was limited to 60' X 40' as the brush was very thick. Eleven bunkers and one cave was destroyed as was enemy ordnance and the ornament from a crashed C-47 gunship.

12. Administration Remarks: Resupply of engineers and other equipment was adequate.

12. a. Notification of Operation KNOX was not received by Company "C" until the morning of 22 Oct 67. Engineer teams were required by 1400 that day. Such short notice lessens the efficiency of preparation for combat operations.

13. Special Equipment and Techniques: N/A

14. Commanders Analysis: No unusual problems were encountered and the demolition requirements were routine.

15. Recommendations: That timely warning be given to supporting units relative to pending operations in order to insure adequate preparation.

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**S COMPANY "C"**  
1st Engineer Battalion  
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
FPO San Francisco 96602

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3480  
3 Nov 1967

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines  
Via: Commanding Officer, 1st Engineer Battalion  
  
Subj: Combat After Action Report

Ref: (a) Div 0 3480.1  
(b) Map Vietnam 1:50,000 Series L7014 6640 IV

1. Code Name: Operation DELTA 1/7
2. Dates of Operations: 22 September 1967 to 20 October 1967
3. Location: Huu Duc, Quang Nam Province, Republic of Vietnam
4. Command and Control Headquarters:

1st Bn., 7th Marines LtCol DAVIS

- 5. Task Organization: N/A
- 6. Supporting Forces: None
- 7. Intelligence: JSIMS 1/7

8. Mission: To provide close engineer combat support to the 1st Battalion, 7th Marines in the area of operation.

9. Concept of Operation: Company "D" of the 1st Battalion, 7th Marines and the 1st Platoon of Company "C", 1st Engineer Battalion, 1st Marine Division were on a search and destroy mission in the vicinity of the Lia Chow Song River.

10. Execution: On 22 September 1967, four (4) men went in support of "D" 1/7 as an engineer demolition team.

On 28 September, two (2) pungi pits were encountered with dimensions of two (2) foot by four and one half ( $4\frac{1}{2}$ ) foot containing twelve (12) to sixteen (16) stakes. These pits were dismantled and filled in by engineer personnel.

On 29 September 1967, a request was made for engineer personnel to fabricate hand charges to surround the short range of M-26 grenades.

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Those charges were made up of explosives with six (6) fuses.

On 20 October 1967, the engineer team returned to the 1st Engineer Battalion CP.

11. Results: No men were lost as a result of KIA or WIA. During the course of this operation, thirty-eight (38) booby traps were encountered. These booby traps consisted of 2 Soviet Z-10 mines, <sup>2</sup> 1/2 Gui-Con grenades and U. S. M-26 fragmentation grenades. These booby traps were employed along trails, hedge rows and in foot traps. Trip wires were employed on the booby traps and were found to be ankle high. Twenty-four (24) of these booby traps were destroyed in place by engineer personnel and fourteen were initiated by infantry personnel resulting in eight (8) WIAs.

12. Administrative Remarks: None

13. Special Equipment and Techniques: None

14. Recommendations: None

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1st Engineer Battalion  
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
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Via: Commanding Officer, 1st Engineer Battalion  
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Ref: (a) DivO 3480,1  
(b) Map Vietnam 1:50,000 Series L7014, 6640IV

1. Code Name: Operation India 3/7
2. Dates of Operation: 0400 4 Oct 1967 to 1300 7 Oct 1967
3. Location: Nui Son Ga, Dailoc Province, Republic of Vietnam.
4. Command and Control Headquarters:

"I"Co 3rdBn 7thMar Capt. BAGETTE

3rd Platoon, Company "C"  
1st Engineer Battalion Cpl T. A. CROWL

5. Task Organization: N/A
6. Supporting Forces: N/A
7. Intelligence: ISUMS 1/7

8. Mission: To provide close engineer combat support to the 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines.

9. Concept of Operation: Company "I" of the 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines and one (1)- four (4) man team from the 3rd Platoon, "C" Company, 1st Engineer Battalion were on a search and destroy mission in the vicinity of the Quan Hieu Duc - Quan Daic Loc boundary.

10. Execution: On 4 October 1967, four (4) men went in support of "I" Co 3/7 as an engineer demolition team. The team departed with the supported unit from CAP 2-1 and moved in a northern direction along Route 5. The force left the road at AT 938637 and proceeded along the trail running parallel to the Quan Hieu Duc- Quan Dai Loc boundary. They encountered nothing that day.

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On 5 October 1967 the force moved south and one (1) family bunker was destroyed. In the afternoon another family bunker was found with a small quantity of rice. This also was destroyed. On 6 October 1967 the force was moving in a general southern direction. Three small underground were found and destroyed.

On 7 October 1967 the operation was secured.

11. Results: No men were lost due to injuries or death. Four (4) small underground bunkers were discovered and destroyed.
12. Administrative Results: None
13. Special Equipment and Techniques: None
14. Recommendations: None

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1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
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3 Nov 1967

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To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines  
Via: Commanding Officer, 1st Engineer Battalion  
  
Subj: Combat After Action Report

Ref: (a) Div 0 3480.1  
(b) Map Vietnam 1:50,000 Series L7014 6540 I, 6541 III

1. Code Name: None
2. Dates of Operation: 28 September 1967 to 1 October 1967
3. Location: My Tho, Dak Lak Province, Republic of Vietnam
4. Command and Control Headquarters:

"L" Co, 3rd Bn, 7th Marines Capt MARSHALL

One (1) five (5) man engr team  
3rd Plt, Company "C", 1st Engr Br. Col E. T. LASKOUSKI

5. Task Organization: N/A  
6. Supporting Forces: N/A  
7. Intelligence: ISUMS 3/

8. Mission: To provide close engineer combat support to "L" Co of the 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines in the area of operation.

9. Concept of Operation: Company "L" of the 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines and a five (5) man engineer team from the 3rd Platoon, Company "C", 1st Engineer Battalion, 1st Marine Division conducted a search and destroy operation in the vicinity of My Hiep, Dai Loc, Republic of Vietnam.

10. Execution: On 26 September 1967, Company "L", 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines, commenced an operation in Da Nang Province, extending from AT 867565 to AT 888555. The purpose of the operation was to provide security for Vietnamese Naturals who were harvesting rice in the area and to search for V. C. and their hiding places.

Every contact was light on the 28th. Elements of "L" Company found several small fighting holes and some larger underground emplacements with a small quantity of rice. The engineer personnel destroyed the emplacements and rice. DECLASSIFIED 10 YEARS FROM 01-01-2010

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Procedures for the 29th and 30th of September remained the same, with the operation personnel encountering no major emplacements. Small caches of rice were found and destroyed.

On the night of 30 September 1967, elements of "L" Company, received in-coming mortar rounds but no casualties were sustained. The operation terminated on 1 October 1967.

11. Results: No men were lost as a result of KIA or WIA. No major encountering with the enemy was made except for discovery of various emplacements and rice which destroyed by the engineer personnel.

12. Administrative Remarks: N/A

13. Special Equipment and Techniques: N/A

14. Commanders Analysis: No unusual problems were encountered and the engineer performance was routine.

15. Recommendations: None

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COMPANY "C"  
1st Engineer Battalion  
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF  
FPO San Francisco 96602

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3480  
4 Nov 1967

From: Commanding Officer  
To: Commanding Officer, 7th Marines  
Via: Commanding Officer, 1st Engineer Battalion  
  
Subj: Combat After Action Report

1. Code Name: Operation KILO 3/7
2. Date of Operation: 10 October 1967 to 13 October 1967
3. Location: Cam Van, Dien Ban Province, Republic of Vietnam
4. Command and Control Headquarters:  
"K" Co, 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines Capt THOMAS
5. Task Organization: N/A
6. Supporting Forces: None
7. Intelligence: ISUMS 3/7
8. Mission: To provide close combat engineer support to the 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines in the area of operation.
9. Concept of Operation: Company "K" of the 3rd Battalion, 7th Marines and a two (2) men engineer team from the 3rd Platoon, Company "C", 1st Engineer Battalion, 1st Marine Division went on a search and destroy mission in the vicinity of Dien Ban Province, Republic of Vietnam.
10. Execution: On 10 October 1967, two (2) men went in support of "K" Company 3/7 as an engineer demolition team.

On the afternoon of 10 October 1967, a booby trap was discovered consisting of a fragmentation grenade in a tin can with a trip wire attached at ankle high. This booby trap was discovered along a trail and was destroyed in place by the engineer demolition team.

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On 11 October 1967, LCol M. C. FOSTER, 2309865 of the engineer support team, was WIA as a result of a tripped booby trap consisting of a Chi-Com grenade attached to a trip wire. He was med-evacuated to the 1st Medical Battalion. On that afternoon, a man from "K" Company tripped another booby trap resulting in him being WIA. It appeared to be the same type booby trap as the previously mentioned one destroyed by the engineer demolition team.

On 12 October 1967, two (2) small underground bunkers were discovered and destroyed by the remaining member of the engineer demolition team.

The operation secured on 13 October 1967.

11. Results: One Engineer was WIA as a result of a tripped booby trap. During the course of the operation, three booby traps were encountered, two of which resulted in two (2) WIAs.
12. Administrative Remarks: None
13. Special Equipment and Techniques: None
14. Commanders Analysis: No unusual problems were encountered and the demolition work of the engineer was routine.
15. Recommendations: None

J. R. Kmaras  
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