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Encl: ✓ (1) 1st Engineer Battalion Command Chronology

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

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

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1. DesignationCommander

1st Engineer Battalion (Rein)	LtCol W.F. GLOWICKI	1Feb70-Present
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SUBORDINATE UNITS

Headquarters & Service Company	1stLt. M.J. McLAUGHLIN	29Jan70-Present
Engineer Support Company	Maj. D.J. KINDT	22May70-Present
Company "A" (Rein)	Capt. B.C.S. WORLEY	3Sept69-6Jun70
	1stLt. H.T. UNDERHILL	7Jun70-Present
Company "B" (Rein)	1stLt. J.B. BELL	21Mar70-21Jun70
	Capt. J.T. WILLIAMS	22Jun70-Present
Company "C" (Rein)	Capt. R.J. GADWILL	7Sept69-8Jun70
	1stLt. R.A. TRETSCH	9Jun70-Present

ATTACHED UNITS

Company "C", 1st Shore Party Battalion	Maj. D.B. CONE	26Feb70-Present
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2. Location

1st Engineer Battalion (Rein)	21Apr67-Present	Danang, RVN
Engineer Support Company	21Apr67-Present	Danang, RVN
Company "A" (Rein)	23Aug68-Present	Danang, RVN
Company "B" (Rein)	6Aug68-Present	An Hoa, RVN
Company "C" (Rein)	26Aug69-Present	Dong Trau, RVN
Company "C", 1st Shore Party Battalion	25Feb70-Present	Danang, RVN

3. Staff Officers

Executive Officer	Maj. R.A. KERR	25Mar70-Present
Sergeant Major	SgtMaj. J.M. WISE	15Jun69-Present
S-1/Adjutant	Capt. J.M. STOOPS	20Nov69-Present
S-2	1stLt M.D. WATERHOUSE	19May70-Present
S-3	Maj. F. BUTSKO	25Mar70-Present
S-4	Maj. F.J. COX	10Jan70-Present
S-5	1stLt. R.F. KARSTEN	27May70-Present
Supply Officer	2ndLt. G.F. MEDRANO	11Nov69-Present
Communication Officer	1stLt H.G. WATKINS	21Oct69-Present
Chaplain	Lt H.H. ESLINGER	24Mar70-Present
Medical Officer	Lt H.G. GOLDSTEIN	25May70-Present
Engineer Equipment Officer	1stLt. R.S. McLAUGHLIN	20Oct69-Present
Utilities Officer	CWO-2 P.W. LINTS	13Oct69-Present
Construction Officer	CWO-2 L.B. BOTTS	23Oct69-Present
Motor Transport Officer	1stLt. B.I. BEHNKE	28Mar70-Present

4. Average Monthly Strength

<u>OFF</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>ENL</u>
34		769	2		13

PART II

Throughout June the 1st Engineer Battalion continued in General Support of the 1st Marine Division and other III MAF Units. An average of 33 combat engineers were employed in Demolitions Teams rendering close combat engineer support to the 1st, 5th, and 7th Marine Regiments. Seventeen engineer road sweep teams conducted mine clearing sweeps over 2,439 Km of road. During these sweeps 19 pieces of enemy emplaced ordnance were detected and destroyed. The counter mine program was further enhanced by vigorous application of the voluntary informant program. 184 ordnance items were recovered while expending 58,350 piastres.

The 1st Marine Division Land Mine Warfare School conducted by the 1st Engineer Battalion graduated 490 Marines. 381 personnel were instructed by a mobile contact team during a one-half day course in demolitions and counter SFD tactics.

Rehabilitation of Recon OP at Dong Den continues with no discernable problems. Earth work on the LZ has been completed. The LZ material has been air-lifted and construction of the LZ is underway. A total of 260 man days and 20.8 equipment days were expended over a period of 26 days.

During the month of June, rehabilitation of FSB Ryder was completed. However, due to heavy rains additional drainage requirements arose. Fifty-two bunkers have been constructed with a total of 325 man days and 92 equipment days expended during the month.

Rehabilitation of the An Trach Dam & Tay Think Irrigation Canal has been progressing steadily and is presently 95% completed. Over 400 feet of culvert has been installed and 1500 meters of canal cleared. Materials were provided to assist in the repair of the dam which has been made operational. 630 man days and 144 equipment days were utilized in the ~~completion~~ of this project.

Construction of the Roads, Berms and Drainage at FSB Ross is progressing; However, rain has caused several days delay. The roads in the cantonment have been built up in excess of 4 feet in some areas and have made it through the heavy rain nicely. Engineers are installing culvert and hauling fill for the construction of the berms and drainage.

Engineers have upgraded route #4 from Hill 65 to Hill 52. Involved in

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the completion of this job was filling, grading, and oiling the road utilizing 112 man days and 50.4 equipment days.

Construction of recreational facilities at Stack Arms. A total of 210 man days and 15 equipment days were expended for the completion of this project.

Company "C", 1st Shore Party Battalion continues to operate 15 Landing Zones throughout the 1st Marine Division TAOR. 7,981,447 pounds of supplies and 17,619 passengers were moved utilizing 1,976 helicopter sorties.

General Engineer Support was provided at an ever increasing tempo as evidenced by the completion of 93 Division Work Orders and by the production of 10,248,000 gallons of potable water.

In support of the Battalion's engineer operations the organic motor vehicles traveled a total of 47,994 miles.

Command and staff visits continued on a ~~daily~~ weekly basis. These visits permitted the Battalion Commanding Officer and selected staff officers to visit each of the Division's regimental areas and job sites to gain first hand knowledge of progress and problem areas.

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PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS1. Personnel

a. Gains and Losses

	<u>OFF</u>	<u>USMC</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>USN</u>	<u>ENL</u>
DROPPED:	1		85	1		1
JOINED:	5		80	0		3

b. Casualties

<u>OFF</u>	<u>KIA</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>HOSTILE</u>	<u>WIA</u>	<u>NON-HOSTILE</u>
0		0			
		<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
		0	1	0	5

2. Intelligence Summary Month of June 1970

a. Enemy activity during the month of June continued at the low level of the previous month. Effects of enemy activity on 1st Engineer Battalion personnel were limited to instances of mortar fire on FSB Ross, and the continued attempted interdiction of LOC's by mining and booby trapping.

b. Road and bridge reconnaissance continues on a daily basis as an integral part of engineer road sweeps 50% of the bridges in the 1st Marine Division TAOR have been surveyed and reports are on file at this headquarters. In addition, 11 1/2 Km of Rt 537 from An Hoa to (and including) the bridge at coordinates AT857407 were reconnoitered on foot. A continuing effort is being made to accumulate aerial photos of LOC's and other prominent features. Those received in June include Route 4 from Thong Duc to Hill 52, Hill 100, the Recon OP at Hill 250, and Fire Support Bases Maxwell, Dagger, Scimitar, Trident and Ryder.

c. During the month of June there were 9 days with measurable precipitation totaling 3.3 inches. Temperatures averaged in the mid - 90's.

3. Mine Warfare

a. During June, 1st Engineer Battalion road sweep teams paid 58,350 \$VN from Voluntary Information Program Funds for the following 184 ordnance items (figures in parentheses are those employed as mines or surprise firing devices):

ITEM QUANTITY

M-26 Grenades	28 (1)
M-33 Grenades	2
M-79 Rounds	45
Chi-Com Grenades	17 (3)
60 mm HE Rounds	10 (4)
81 mm HE Rounds	21
105 mm HE Rounds	11 (1)
105 mm Illum Rounds	1
155 mm HE Round	1
LAAW	1
3.5 Rocket	2
B-40 Rocket	1
M16A1 AP	8
Claymore	3
8 lb mine	1 (1)
40 lb mine	1 (1)
TNT Charges	3
M-60 Rounds	28

b. In addition sweep teams found the following 19 items of ordnance (figures in parenthesis are those employed as mines or surprise firing devices):

ITEM QUANTITY

M-26 Grenade	2
M-79 Round	1
Chi-Com Grenades	2
60 HE Rounds	1
81 Illum Rounds (In Tunnel)	3
105 HE Round	1
Claymore	1
1/2 lb AP Mine (C Rat. Can w/C-4)	1 (1)
40 lb Box mine	2 (2)
Belt M-60 Rounds	1
Shotgun Shells	4

4. Training

a. During June, 490 students graduated from the three day course of instruction at the 1st Marine Division Landmine Warfare School which is conducted by the 1st Engineer Battalion. Unit attendance is listed below:

UNIT ATTENDANCE

1st Battalion, 1st Marines	44
2nd Battalion, 1st Marines	101

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3rd Battalion, 1st Marines	47
1st Battalion, 5th Marines	25
2nd Battalion, 5th Marines	38
3rd Battalion, 5th Marines	30
1st Battalion, 7th Marines	58
2nd Battalion, 7th Marines	51
3rd Battalion, 7th Marines	17
3rd Battalion, 11th Marines	9
1st Engineer Battalion	23
7th Engineer Battalion	24
3rd M.P. Battalion	23

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b. A mobile instruction team traveled to five (5) Units to conduct a 1/2 day course of instruction for 381 personnel.

<u>UNIT</u>	<u>ATTENDANCE</u>
51st ARVN Regt	65
Division Schools	172 (USMC)
Division Schools	30 (ARVN)
Hill 10	24
Hill 34	90

5. Construction

a. The following Division Work Orders were completed during the reporting period:

Work Order No. & Date Completed	Remark
488-70 1 June 1970	Draw 19 bundles M8A1
471-70 1 June 1970	Deliver 180 yds 2"-3" rock
501-70 1 June 1970	Grade & ditch roads
487-70 1 June 1970	Shape & ditch cantonment roads at Hill 41
489-70 1 June 1970	Make necessary repair to shower drainage
366-70 1 June 1970	Level & grade for proper drainage and oil LZ
434-70 1 June 1970	Oil road at hill 10 & hill 41
456-70 1 June 1970	Clean out well at NAC
463-70 2 June 1970	Provide electrician to assist in permanent lighting

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439-70	2 June 1970	Const 11- 10x24x8 bunkers
503-70	2 June 1970	Deliver 20 cu. yds. of 2"-3" rock to hill 65
500-70	2 June 1970	Ditch & crown cantonment roads
464-70	2 June 1970	Inspect 2 towers
499-70	2 June 1970	Dismantle 50 ft tower
422-70	2 June 1970	Provide equipment to const. fighting position
465-70	2 June 1970	Deliver 150 yds 2"-3" rock
790-69	2 June 1970	Draw & issue 4-10x24x8 bunkers
293-70	3 June 1970	Provide tech assist. for fougasse
496-70	3 June 1970	Provide 1 forklift for 4 days
472-70	3 June 1970	Install elec storm grounding device
466-70	3 June 1970	Provide tech assist for const of 1-8x12x8 Bunker
803-69	3 June 1970	(1)-20x32 bunker
416-70	3 June 1970	Level berms
440-70	3 June 1970	Clear 50 meter in front of trench lines
459-70	3 June 1970	Const & issue 20 mount out boxes
520-70	3 June 1970	Provide 2 men w/chain saws to improve OP Hill 270
460-70	4 June 1970	Const & issue (12) 106 crates
492-70	4 June 1970	Const 3 ME-10 refer crates
513-70	4 June 1970	Const & issue (15) mount out boxes
521-70	4 June 1970	Const & issue (3) 4 hole heads
514-70	10 June 1970	Draw & issue (1) 10x24x8 bunker w/f 1 kits.
493-70	10 June 1970	Const (1) 30x30 storage shed
509-70	10 June 1970	Const 16x16 hut for water point
505-70	10 June 1970	Const 18 ft tower for 850 gal water tank

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508-70	11 June 1970	Const 8x8 chimcal shed
442-70	11 June 1970	Inspect drainage & make necessary repairs
462-70	11 June 1970	Const & issue (1) box 2x18x7
452-70	11 June 1970	Inspect well for water supply
527-70	11 June 1970	Clear & deepen water point and remove dam
410-70	12 June 1970	Const basket ball court at Stack Arms
506-70	12 June 1970	Install haspest & locks on collar at O'club
512-70	12 June 1970	Deliver 30 yds of clean sand
530-70	12 June 1970	Inspect tower
524-70	12 June 1970	Repair roof on 2 SEA huts
507-70	12 June 1970	Remove accumutated debris near bridge
273-70	12 June 1970	Const. debris barrier at Ba Ren Bridge
178-70	12 June 1970	Build defensive positions & remove mine field
475-70	12 June 1970	Provide techn. assist. for const. of garbage shed
441-70	12 June 1970	Rehab. Que Son Distict Hdqts.
447-70	13 June 1970	Provide case 580 for 2 days.
529-70	15 June 1970	Const 4 crates
589-70	15 June 1970	Provide forklift for 1 day
497-70	15 June 1970	Const. (1) 12x16 shower
558-70	15 June 1970	Const. (2) doors in FDC bunker
295-70	15 June 1970	Draw and issue (1) 20x32x8 and (4) 10x24x8 bunkers
551-70	16 June 1970	Oil roads in M. T. Area
534-70	16 June 1970	Rehab. ammo bunkers
474-70	16 June 1970	Provide (1) mini-dozer w/operator
483-70	17 June 1970	Haul 50 yds 2"-3" rock
554-70	17 June 1970	Deliver 10 yds 2"-3" rock

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496-70	17 June 1970	Repair roof & decking for COC
545-70	17 June 1970	Draw & issue (3) 8x12x8 bunkers
526-70	18 June 1970	Deliver 120 yds laterite to "O" Club
519-70	18 June 1970	Const. (7) knife rests
547-70	18 June 1970	Draw & issue (1) 8x8x8 bunker
515-70	19 June 1970	Install vent in COC bunker
302-70	19 June 1970	Repair bunker
480-70	19 June 1970	Const gen. shed
404-70	19 June 1970	Const (40) 8x8 bunkers
536-70	20 June 1970	Repair (2) supply huts
510-70	20 June 1970	Const. (2) two hole heads
517-70	20 June 1970	Provide (2) forklift and (1) crane
486-70	20 June 1970	Const. mount out boxes
533-70	20 June 1970	Issue (25) 1/2" plywood 24"x36"
548-70	20 June 1970	Deliver material to Que Son
565-70	21 June 1970	Provide (1) forklift
525-70	21 June 1970	Install portable shower unit
491-70	21 June 1970	Const. (15) urinols
469-70	21 June 1970	Const. (20) urinols
415-70	22 June 1970	Const. & issue 10 urinols and 10 half barrels
543-70	22 June 1970	Const. (50) 32 cu. boxes
595-70	22 June 1970	Provide (1) forklift w/operator
552-70	22 June 1970	Const. 12 urinols
556-70	23 June 1970	Conduct survey of roads and drainage
546-70	23 June 1970	Const. (1) 16x32 SEA hut

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574-70 23 June 1970 Const. (1) 8x8x8 bunker

531-70 24 June 1970 Survey two (2) leach fields and make repairs

563-70 24 June 1970 Provide one grader

566-70 24 June 1970 Install ventilation in COC bunker

528-70 24 June 1970 Const (6) four hole heads

481-70 25 June 1970 Const. (15) tent decks

544-70 25 June 1970 Const (50) 2x2x4 mount out boxes

555-70 26 June 1970 Oil rads at Hill 41, 10, and LZ

b. The following construction material was expended on the foregoing Division Work Orders.

Man Hours	Equipment Hours	Plywood	Lumber	Tin	Nails		
22,251	3,361	1076 Sheets	46,458 BF	309 sheets	1,158 lbs		
Rock	Pipe	SEA Huts	Heads	Cement	Urinoil	Screen	Rd Oil
669 lb.	320 ft.	5	2 - 2holers 16 - 4 holers	275 bags	61	5 rolls	3,000 gal
Bunkers	Culvert	Penaprime	Membrane Kit	MBA1	Det. Cord		
10 - 10x24	1900	26	3	30 bndls	30 cans		
1 - 8x10							
1 - 10x32	C-4	Bangelores					
3 - 20x32	100 cases	250					
4 - 8x8							
3 - 8x12							

c. The following 10 Battalion Work Orders were completed during the reporting period:

Work Order No. & Date Completed	Remarks
132-70 4 June 1970	Const bulletin board
127-70 6 June 1970	Install window in special service hut
51-70 7 June 1970	Const 2 Flag Poles
128-70 10 June 1970	Const Coffee mess stand
117-70 14 June 1970	Const sign & salad table
141-70 17 June 1970	Const shelves for S-4

136-70 18 June 1970 Remove flag pole from front of "O" Club
126-70 19 June 1970 Repair school and Medical building in Son Thuy I
119-70 20 June 1970 Const new back for basket ball court
133-70 27 June 1970 Repair roof of Post Office

d. The following construction material was expended on the foregoing Battalion Work Orders:

Man Hours	Equipment Hours	Tar	Cement	Paint	Nails
678	4	1 gal.	10 bags	1 1/2 gal.	55 lbs
Plywood	Lumber	Pipe	Screen	Hinges	
62 sheets	2,474 BF	224 ft.	1 roll	2	

PART IV

CHRONOLOGY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDS

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