

HEADQUARTERS
1st Medical Battalion
1st Marine Division (Rein), FMF
FPO San Francisco, California 96602

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To: Commanding General, First Marine Division (Rein),
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1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a),
(b) and (c), enclosure (1) is submitted.

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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION
1st Medical Battalion

COMMANDER
CDR J. V. SHARP, MC, USNR
1 - 30 April 1968

SUBORDINATE UNITS
H&S Company

LCDR T. L. SPURGEON, MSC, USN
1 - 30 April 1968

Company A

LCDR P. H. RANDELS, MC, USNR
1 - 30 April 1968

Company B

LCDR R. C. HAMILTON, MC, USNR
1 - 20 April 1968

LCDR S. A. NEILL, MC, USNR
21 - 30 April 1968

Company C

LCDR G. A. VAN De WYNGAERDE,
MC, USN
1 - 30 April 1968

Company D

LCDR R. B. M. DELISSER, MC, USN
1 - 30 April 1968

2. LOCATION

1st Medical Battalion
1st Medical Battalion
H&S Company
H&S Company
Company A
Company A
Company B
Company C
Company D, 1st Plt
Company D, 2nd Plt
Company D, 2nd Plt

1 - 7 April 1968 Danang, RVN
8 - 30 April 1968 Phu Bai, RVN
1 - 2 April 1968 Danang, RVN
3 - 30 April 1968 Phu Bai, RVN
1 - 2 April 1968 Danang, RVN
3 - 30 April 1968 Phu Bai, RVN
1 - 30 April 1968 Phu Bai, RVN
1 - 30 April 1968 Phu Bai, RVN
1 - 30 April 1968 Phu Bai, RVN
1 - 2 April 1968 Danang, RVN
3 - 30 April 1968 Phu Bai, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS, FIRST MEDICAL BATTALION, DANANG, RVN

Director of Professional Services LCDR W. J. MULLINS, MC, USN
1 - 30 April 1968

Executive Officer LCDR T. L. SPURGEON, MSC,
USN
1 - 30 April 1968

S-1 Officer LT J. D. QUICK, MSC, USN
1 - 30 April 1968

S-2/S-3 Officer 1stLT W. F. RHATIGAN, USMC
1 - 30 April 1968

Preventive Medicine Section, CDR L. R. KAUFMAN, MSC, USN
Officer in Charge 1 - 30 April 1968

S-4 Officer 1STLT C. W. PAGE, USMC
1 - 30 April 1968

S-5 Officer LCDR F. G. CONOVER, MSC, USN
1 - 22 April 1968

LT R. A. ROBINSON, MSC, USN
23 - 30 April 1968

Motor Transport Officer 1stLT R. J. REDICAN
1 - 30 April 1968

4. AVERAGE STRENGTH FOR THE FIRST MEDICAL BATTALION

<u>USN</u>		<u>USMC</u>		<u>TOTAL</u>
<u>OFFICER</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>	<u>OFFICER</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>	
45	292	3	162	502

5. HOSPITAL STATISTICS

ADMISSIONS

	<u>Battle Casualties</u>	<u>Non-Battle Injuries</u>	<u>Disease</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
Danang	68	44	101	695
Phu Bai	273	72	137	

OUT-PATIENT VISITS

		<u>TOTAL</u>
Danang	908	1389
Phu Bai	481	

PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. During the month of April the 1st Medical Battalion displaced by echelon to the new location at Phu Bai RVN. On 2 April H&S Co (-) and the 2nd Platoon of Delta joined Bravo Co. at Phu Bai to put in operation the new hospital complex. The hospital was operable with two Operating Rooms, a 30 bed intensive care unit plus auxillary services on 6 April. Charlie Co. continued to operate the Medical Unit Self Transportable (MUST) at Phu Bai during this time. The remainder of the Battalion operated the facility at Danang until relieved by First Hospital Company on 8 April.

The remainder of the Battalion displaced to Phu Bai on 8 April less 1st Platoon of Delta Company and 14 personnel of the Preventive Medicine Section of H&S Company which was OP CON to First Hospital Company. On 22 April Charlie Company plus the MUST rejoined the Battalion at the new location setting up the MUST for wards plus 2 operating rooms and a Dental Unit. At this time the Battalion has the capabilities of 6 operating rooms, a 25 bed Intensive Care Ward with total bed capacity of 185 beds.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 2 April 1968 - H&S Company (-) and the 2nd Platoon of Delta joined Bravo Company at Phu Bai to put in operation the new hospital complex.
- 8 April 1968 - The remainder of the Battalion at Danang was relieved by 1st Hospital Company.
- 8 April 1968 - The remainder of the Battalion displaced to Phu Bai less 1st Platoon of Delta Company and 14 personnel of the Preventive Medicine Section of H&S Company which was OP CON to First Hospital Company.
- 22 April 1968 - Charlie Company plus the MUST rejoined the Battalion at the new location