

HEADQUARTERS
1st Medical Battalion
1st Marine Division (REIN) FMF
APO San Francisco, California 96602

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To: Commanding General, First Marine Division (REIN) FMF,
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31 October 1968.
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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. DESTINATIONCOMMANDER

1st Medical Battalion

CAPT J. W. SHARP, MC, USNR
1 - 31 October 1968SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Company

LCDR T. L. SPURGEON, MSC, USN
1 - 31 October 1968

Company A

LCDR J. C. O'BRIEN, MC, USNR
1 - 31 October 1968

Company B

LCDR J. E. GUTIERREZ, MC, USNR
1 - 31 October 1968

Company C

LCDR G. A. VOSS, MC, USN
1 - 31 October 1968

Company D

LCDR J. B. POWELL, MC, USNR
1 - 31 October 19682. LOCATION

1st Medical Battalion

1 - 31 October 1968 Danang, RVN

Company D

1 - 4 October 1968 Danang, RVN
5 - 22 October 1968 An Hoa, RVN
23 - 31 October 1968 Danang, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Director of Professional Services	LCDR R. B. DELISSER, MC, USN 1 - 31 October 1968
Executive Officer	LCDR T. L. SPURGEON, MSC, USN 1 - 31 October 1968
Adjutant/S-1	LT W. B. COMBS, MSC, USN 1 - 31 October 1968
S-2/S-3 Officer	1stLT W. F. RHATIGAN, USMC 1 - 8 October 1968 1stLT R. G. CHARLES, USMC 9 - 31 October 1968
OIC, Preventive Med Section	CDR L. R. KAUFMAN, MSC, USN 1 - 31 October 1968
S-4 Officer	LTJR. A. PAYTON, MSC, USNR 1 - 31 October 1968
S-5 Officer	LT W. B. COMBS, MSC, USN 1 - 31 October 1968
MT Officer	1stLT G. W. SUTHERLAND, USMC 1 - 31 October 1968
Medical Supply Officer	LT W. B. COMBS, MSC, USN 1 - 31 October 1968

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USN</u>		<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFFICER</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>	<u>OFFICER</u>	<u>ENLISTED</u>
<u>42</u>	<u>275</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>143</u>

5. HOSPITAL STATISTICS

<u>ADMISSIONS</u>			
<u>DA-CI</u>	<u>NON-Battle</u>	<u>Disease</u>	<u>Total</u>
<u>Battle Casualties</u>			
<u>177</u>	<u>88</u>	<u>368</u>	<u>633</u>
<u>OUTPATIENT VISITS</u>			
<u>1127</u>			

PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARY

1. The First Medical Battalion was occupied throughout the reporting period in executing the routine mission of providing medical service to the Division. In addition, due to the battalion's recent arrival in Danang, much effort was expended in completing improvements and expansion of the physical facilities of the contentionment.

2. On 5 October 1968, Delta Medical Company was deployed by multiple trips in a single CH-53 helicopter to An Hoa in the support of Operation Maui Peak. All troops and gear were relocated in approximately 10 hours. The unit remained at An Hoa for 17 days, returning to Danang on 22 October 1968.

PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

- 5 October 1968 - Delta Medical Company deployed in support of Operation Maui Peak.
- 22 October 1968 - Delta Medical Company returned to Danang.
- 23 October 1968 - RADM J. COWAN, MC, USN, PacFlt Medical Officer visited the First Medical Battalion.
- 24 October 1968 - VADM W. F. BRINGLE, USN, Commander, Seventh Fleet visited the First Medical Battalion.