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FPO San Francisco, California 96602

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31 December 1968.

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Encl: (1) First Medical Battalion Command Chronology

1. In accordance with the provisions of references (a), (b),
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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PART 1

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATIONCOMMANDER

1st Medical Battalion

CAPT J.V. SHARP, MC, USN
1-31 December 1968SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Company

LCDR T.L. SPURGEON, MSC USN
1-17 December 1968

Company A

LT A.E. MCCONNELL, MSC USN
19-31 December 1968

Company B

LCDR J.C. O'BRIAN, MC USNR
1-31 December 1968

Company C

LCDR G.A. VOSS, MC USNR
1-30 December 1968

Company D

LCDR J.E. WILLIAMS, MC USN
31 December 19682. LOCATION

1st Medical Battalion

1-31 December 1968 DaNang, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Director of Professional Services

CDR C.L. MOORE, MC USNR
1-31 December 1968

Executive Officer

LCDR T.L. SPURGEON, MSC USN
1-17 December 1968LT R.A. PAYTON, MSC, USNR
18 December 1968LT A.E. MCCONNELL, MSC USN
19-31 December 1968

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Adjutant/ S-1	LT W.B. COMBS, MSC, USN 1-31 December 1968
S-2/S-3 Officer	1st LT R.G. CHARLES, USMC 1-31 December 1968
OIC, Preventive Medicine Section	CDR L.R. KAUFMAN, MSC, USN 1-31 December 1968
S-4 Officer	LT R.A. PAYTON, MSC, USNR 1-31 December 1968
S-5 Officer	LCDR F.G. CONOVER, MSC, USN 1-8 December 1968
MT Officer	LTJG J.R. STEINER, MSC, USN 9-31 December 1968
Medical Supply Officer	1st LT G.W. SUTHERLAND, USMCR 1-31 December 1968
Organic Supply Officer	LTJG J.R. STEINER, MSC USN 1-31 December 1968
1st LT D.S. LYNN, USMC 1-31 December 1968	

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USN</u>	<u>USMC</u>
<u>OFFICER</u> 40	<u>OFFICER</u> 3
<u>ENLISTED</u> 250	<u>ENLISTED</u> 143

5. HOSPITAL STATISTICSADMISSIONS

<u>DA-CI</u> <u>Battle Casualties</u>	<u>NON-Battle</u>	<u>Disease</u>	<u>Total</u>
197	122	262	581

OUTPATIENT VISITS

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

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