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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

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ORGANIZATION DATA1. DESIGNATION

1st Medical Battalion CAPT J. W. LEA, MC, USNR
1-31 October 1969

SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Company	LCDR W. L. WEIDNER, MSC, USN 1-31 October 1969
Company A	LCDR S. W. WILLIAMS, MC, USN 1-31 October 1969
Company B	LCDR G. G. GRAG RSEN, MC, USNR 1-31 October 1969
Company C	LCDR J. E. WILLIAMS, MC, USN 1-23 October 1969
Company D	LCDR P. B. BLANGIARD, MC, USN 23-31 October 1969
Company A, 5th Medical Battalion	LCDR J. A. TOBIAS, MC, USNR 1-22 October 1969
	LCDR C. S. BROWN, MC, USN 22-31 October 1969
	LT J. T. KILROY, MC, USNH 20-31 October 1969

2. LOCATION

1-31 October 1969, Danang, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

Director of Professional Services CDR S. D. WILSON, MC, USNR
1-22 October 1969

LCDR J. A. TOBIAS, MC, USNR
22-31 October 1969

Executive Officer LCDR W. L. WEIDNER, MSC, USN
1-31 October 1969

Adjutant/S-1 LTJG J. R. STEINER, MSC, USN
1-13 October 1969

LCDR K. L. DAIR, MSC, USN
13-31 October 1969

S-2/S-3 Officer CAPT J. R. KNAPP, USMC
1-31 October 1969

OIC, Preventive Med Section	LT C. A. PRICE, NSC, USN 1-31 October 1969
S-4 Officer	LTJG G. S. WINDHAM, NSC, USN 1-31 October 1969
S-5 Officer	LTJG W. M. MCCLANNAN, NSC, USN 1-31 October 1969
MT Officer	1st LT H. M. BUTLER, USMC 1-31 October 1969
Medical Supply Officer	LT H. E. PARKER, NSC, USN 1-15 October 1969
	LT A. E. MC CONNELL, NSC, USN 15-31 October 1969
Organic Supply	1st LT J. R. HEKEM, USMC 1-31 October 1969

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

<u>USN</u>	<u>USMC</u>
<u>OFFICER</u> 47	<u>ENLISTED</u> 295
	<u>OFFICER</u> 3
	<u>ENLISTED</u> 185

5. HOSPITAL STATISTICSADMISSIONS

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<u>Battle Casualties</u> 72	<u>Non-Battle</u> 134	<u>Disease</u> 543	<u>TOTAL</u> 749
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<u>OUTPATIENT VISITS</u> 2351

PART II
NARRATIVE SUMMARY

During October 1969, 1st Medical Battalion continued to execute its mission of providing medical support to the 1st Marine Division, and further, continue to extend its efforts in support of the Division civic action program by conducting MEDCAPS in designated, Villages, Hamlets, Hospital, and Orphanages.

2. In addition, construction on the new hospital continued. Originally scheduled for final completion in mid-October, the nonavailability of essential equipment, i. e., boilers, washers, sinks, and electrical parts ect., slowed progress, and extended the final completion date to mid-December.

3. On 20 October 1969, the Battalion assumed ALCON/OFCON of "A" Company, 5th Medical Battalion. Although incorporated into the Battalion structure, the company will maintain its identity as "A" Company, 5th Medical Battalion until changed by competent authority.

PART III
SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

1 October 1969 Appointment of the Commanding Officer, CAPT J. W. LEA, to Vice President and Program Chairman of the I Corps Medical Society. The society is composed of interested Doctors of all branches of service within the I Corps Area. As established, the objective of the society is to provide medical communications throughout I Corps, and continue education in the area of field medicine.

25 October 1969 Major General SIMPSON, Commanding General, 1st Marine Division, presented for the Secretary of the Navy, the "MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION" to "C" COMPANY, 1ST MEDICAL BATTALION. The award was earned for meritorious service in medical support of Task Force X-ray, 1st Marine Division, at Phu Bai, Republic of Vietnam, from 16 January to 19 April 1969.

26 October 1969 The Commanding Officer, CAPT J. W. LEA, hosted a meeting of the I Corps Senior Medical Officers, aboard the Battalion command post. CAPT KEE, III MAF Surgeon, presided over the meeting.

28 October 1969 Vice Admiral ALBRITTON, Deputy Surgeon General of the Navy toured the hospital facilities, and attended a briefing on command matters presented by each of the Battalion Staff Officers.

30 October 1969

Lieutenant General BUSE, Commanding General, FWPAC, toured the hospital facilities and visited with patients on the wards. Accompanying General BUSE was Lieutenant General WICKERSON, Commanding General, III MAF, and Major General SIMPSON, Commanding General, 1st Marine Division.