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Command Chronology for Period 1 October to 31 October 1967.

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(a) FLCO 5750.1A

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(1) 1st Military Police Battalion Command Chronology

1. In accordance with reference (a), enclosure (1) is submitted.

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# PART 1 ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION
1st Military Police Battalion

COMMANDER LtCol T. R. HILL

# SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Company	1-25 Oct 67	Capt. J. SABATER JR.
Company A	26-31 Oct 67 1-25 Oct 67	Capt. E. GRAY Capt. E. GRAY
Company B	26-31 Oct 67 1-10 Oct 67	Capt. W. M. FITTS Capt. T. J. SMYTH
Company C	11-31 Oct 67 1-31 Oct 67	Capt. B. J. MURPHY Capt. R. M. SHEA
Company D	1-31 Oct 67	Capt. J. T. TERRY III

'T. 'ATTACHED UNITS

Company C, 3rd MP Bn. 1-31 Oct 67 Detachment, 7th Comm Bn. 1-31 Oct 67

Capt. J. B. MORIARTY

2. LOCATION 1-31 Oct 67, Danang, RVN

# 3. STAFF OFFICERS

Executive Officer S-L/Adjutant	1-31 Oct 67 1-25 Oct 67	Maj. J. F. BUGBEE lat Lt. R. G. GARDINER
S-2 S-3	26-31 Oct 67 1-31 Oct 67 1-31 Oct 67	2nd Lt. O. L. BUMGARNER 2nd Lt. R. GASKILL Capt. D. W. JUDD
S-3 S-4	1-25 Oct 67 26-31 Oct 67	Capt. W. M. FITTS 2nd Lt. J. E. MANNING
S-5	1-25 Oct 67 26-31 Oct 67	2nd Lt. J. E. PECK Capt. M. B. ABILHEIRA

# AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

	USMC	USN	
OFF 3E	ENL 587	OFF	ENL

# S-1 PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

1. During the month Combined Action Companies E, F, and G were transforred to Combined Action Group, III MAF.

2.	Losses:		
_	USMC	USN	ſ
OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
9	254	0	8

<b>3</b> •	Replacements:		
	USMC	USN	
OFF	ENL	OFF	ENL
7	36	0	0

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4. <u>Discipline</u> Two Special Courts Martial & 3 Summary Courts Martial were convened during the month. Eight Battalion Commander NJP's and eighteen Company Commander NJP's were imposed during the month.

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Co.	C 3rd	MP 3	87	0	0	0	10	0	0

### NARRATIVE SUMMARY

#### S-2 INTELLIGENCE

- 1. During the month of October 111 Vietnamese personnel were apprehended and turned over to the National Police. All were found to be civil defendents which fell into one of the below listed categories:
  - a. Improper or no I.D. card
  - b. Illegal resident
  - c. Draft dodgers/deserters
- 2. Intelligence reports during this period centered around VC plans to attack vital U.S. and VN installations. Reports still indicate VC are infiltrating into Danang City and Hoa Vang District. No increase of VC activity in the rocket belt has been reported. The VC have reportedly formed a toenage suicide/assassination team to work the Danang area.
- 3. The following sites were reported as likely targets during the reporting period.
  - a. Danang Air Base. This remains the number one target.
- b. Danang City. This is to be the focal point of terrorist activity.
- c. I Corps Bridge and Cam Le Bridge. These bridges maintain a high priority on the VC target list due to their importance in logistical support to the ICTZ.
- d. Other targets mentioned are Marble Mountain Air Facility, Refugee Camps, Naval Docking sites, U.S. and ARVN installations in Hoa Vang District.

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# S-3 OPERATIONS/TRAINING

- 1. During the month this battalion conducted 517 day and 807 night fire team patrols, 65 fire team sized night ambushes and set out 109 fire team listening posts. Also conducted were 6 squad sized night patrols, 23 squad night ambushes and 5 listening posts were set out, for a total of 1532 small unit actions.
- 2. Five sweeps were conducted in conjunction with local police and village officials (See Significant Events).
- 3. To improve reaction force capabilities drills were conducted on 12 October and 27 October. Units were deployed to the Company C and Company A portions of the defense perimeter.
- 4. The Song Han River Patrol was secured due to navigational problems caused by heavy rains.
- 5. Due to anticipated enemy activity prior to the Presidential Inauguration on 31 October, Standard Readiness Condition III was set 3 days prior during the hours of darkness.
- 6. Seven porsonnel attended student drivers training at FLC during the month.
- 7. On 25 October thirteen personnel went to Saigon to participate in the National Day Parade, 1 November.
- 8. Officers and Staff Noncommissioned Officers attended weekly classes including fitness reports, supply functions, riflo company tactics, and leadership indications and problem areas.
- 9. On 12 October, a conference was conducted to coordinate base defense. All tenant units of East Danang and support units attended.

# S-4 LOGISTICS

# .. Significent Events

- a. A water supply was installed in the messhall.
- b. A shower was completed in the H&S Company Area.
- c. Construction of catwalks on the I Corps Bridge during this reporting period is 60% complete.

# 2. Supply/Ordnance

a. The Battalion received monsoon materials.

### 3. Motor Transport

- a. Spare parts remain a problem with regard to vehicle main tenance.
  - b. New Motor Transport Maintenance Building is 70% complete.

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# S-5 CIVIL AFFAIRS

## 1. General

a. On 26 October, Captain Abilheira assumed duties as battalion S-5 Officer.

b. The S-5 office dropped all administrative duties for CACO "G" and "F" on 16 October but still supplies them logistically.

c. Battalion S-5 is now responsible to NSA for civic action activities both administratively and logistically. All requests for aid will now go through NSA.

## 2. Education

- a. Company A · temporarily discontinued their English classes due to a shortage of personnel.
- b. H&S Company holds two classes weekly at the Nai Nam elementary school.
- c. A total of twenty-one English classes were held by Company D this month, each class attended by approximately sixty-fivo students. Eight physical education classes were also held, thirty-eight students attending each class. Three English classes were conducted for the teaching staff of the Binh Khue Cam Province School.
  - d. 100 school kits were distributed by CACO G this month.

#### 3. PUBLIC HEALTH

- a. Sick Call was held at all CAC units daily. By the 16th of this month 5,177 had been administered first aid.
- b. 150 health leaflets were passed out at the Hoa Vang market place on 25 October.
- o. Vitamin pills and protein powder were distributed to the Vietnamese.
- d. Four emergency cases were sent to USOM during the period 1. Oct to 16 Oct.

# 4. PUBLIC WORKS

- a. Hamlet #1 of the Xuan Hoa Village continued to receive aid this month. Nails and lumber were given to the Hamlet Chief for the completion of the work begun on the Hamlet Chief's office.
  - b. CAP G-2 helped two PFs build houses in My Khe.

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# 5. WELFARE

- a. Eight boxes of clothing were delivered to the Sacred Heart Nursery in DaNang East. These clothes came from several people in the U.S. who sent them to Company C in order that they might be distributed to the people.
  - b. CAP G-2 distributed clothing to needy people in My Khe.
- c. Sixteen 30 foot parachutes were delivered to the Sacred Heart+Ninseny.
  - d. Company C donated one small pig to the Sacred Heart Nursery.
- e. Dried milk, salad oil, canned foods and rice were given to needy families in the TAOR.
  - f. 500 bars of soap were given to families in the area.

# 6. CIVIC ACTION TRAINING

a. Twenty-four hours of classes were given during the month. Instructors discussed Vietnamese customs, beliefs, and values and emphasized how important it is for the average Marine to understand them.

# PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS

- 1. One PsyOps movie was shown in the TAOR.
- 2. Approximately 50,000 TuDo newspapers were distributed by patrols or at checkpoints to the Vietnamese.
- 3. Special leaflets were ordered from the 214th PsyWar Company for use in the I Corps bridge area.

# COMMUNICATIONS

# 1. Significent Events

- a. Installed was a land line from Bn. CP to Hoa Vang District Headquarters for use by CACO Foxtrot Headquarters.
  - b. The overall condition of communication is excellent.
  - c. The percent of combat essential gear available is 89%.

# MEDICAL/DENTAL

# 1. Battalion Aid Station Chronological Data

a. Significent Events: The PMU (Preventive Maintenance Unit) from Red Beach conducted a sanitation inspection of the Battalion area. There were no major discrepancies noted. Mass Influenza injections were given to the entire Battalion.

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b. Problems Encountered: There has been noted a remarkable increase of Venereal Disease. Out of fourteen (14) reported cases this month, twelve (12) were contacted in off limits areas of the Republic of Vietnam.

# 2. MILITARY PATIENT STATISTICAL DATA

- a. Average daily number of patients seen: 24
- b. Average daily number of patients referred to other treating facilities for consulations, dental, x-rays and laboratory work: 5
- c. Routino medical complaints: Sore threat, gastroenteritis, and local infections.
  - d. Significant diseases peculiar to the area: None observed.
- e. Number of emergency treatments: Combat injury: 0; Lacerations: 10; Burns: 3; Trauma: 23.
  - f. Innoculations and prophlatic medications: Innoculations: 464 Malaria Prophylaxis: 3,450
  - g. Patients admitted to BAS Ward: 0

# SIGNIFICENT EVENTS

# 3 October 1967

From 030600 to 030755, Company B, in conjunction with local police and village officials, conducted a sweep of MY THI Hamlet (BT 05271,5). 5 detaines were apprehended and turned over to Hoa Vang District Hoadquarters.

#### 4 October 1967

A riot occurred at the I Corps POW Compound from 041630 to 041730. Four minor injuries were seported.

# 5 October 1967

At 052100, CAP Golf 2, in conjunction with local police and village officials, conducted a sweep of AN MY Village (BT Ohlt777). Twenty six detainess were apprehended. I female and h males were released. I female and 20 males were taken to Danang Garrison.

#### 7 October 1967

At 070815, Company C, 3rd MP Bn. found a VN body floating in the river near the I Corps Bridge. The body was starting to decompose and had 3 S/A holes.

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## 10 October 1967

At 100225, MCB-133 observed unidentified boat vicinity Da Me Hamlet (BT 055727). CAP Golf 5 dispatched patrol and apprehended 2 detaines. Subjects turned over to Danang Garrison.

#### 11 October 1967

At 110845, QC at Company B check point (BT 058743) apprehended 1 VCS on civilian bus with 2 I.D. cards. Subject was taken to Hoa Vang District Headquarters.

## 13 October 1967

From 132130 to 132330, CAP Golf 2, in conjunction with local police and village officials, conducted a sweep of AN THI village. It detaineds were apprehended. Seven males and three females were taken to Danang Garrison. The remainder were released.

## 14 October 1967

From 142130 to 142315, CAP Golf 2 in conjunction with local police and village officials; conducted a sweep from BT 047763 to BT 049755. Thirteen detainess were apprehended. Eleven were taken to Danang Garrison. The remainder were released.

# 18 October 1967

At 182232, Camp Tien Sha received S/A fire. Two reaction squads made sweep of area with negative results.

#### 23 October 1967

At 230200, Company B patrol apprehended six VN vicinity BT 072716. Subjects were taken to III MAF POW Compound.

# 24 October 1967

At 242130, CAP Foxtrot 6 reported a PF patrol made contact with 3 to 5 VC when ambush was attacked. Marine patrol sent to assist. Additional ambush was established with negative results.

#### 25 October 1967

a. At 251230, a CAP Golf 2 patrol in MY KHE village apprehended 1 VCS whose name was turned in by local citizens. He was taken to Hoa Vang District Headquarters.

b. At 251300, CAP Foxtrot 4 apprehended 2 VN, one of whom was carrying a weapon. They were taken to Hon Vang District Hendquarters.

#### 26 October 1967

a. At 262000, Company A reported that AW fire was observed near the bicycle shop (BT 024746). CAP F-7 sent a patrol into area with negative results.

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b. At 262125, CAP F-5 reported that PF & National Policeman got into a fire fight with 3 VCS (BT 031743). CAP F-5 sent a patrol into area with negative results.

# 27 October 1967

At 271230, 1 VN male turned himself into CAP G-5 (BT 055733). His name was on the VC Black List. He was taken to Hoa Vang District Headquarters.

# 28 October 1967

At 282240, Company D reported that 1 VN had been killed just north of Gate 12 on Highway 1. Marine suspect was apprehended. Armed Forces Police and CID invostigated incident.

# 29 October 1967

a. At 290430, a grenade was thrown into CAP G-1 compound (BT 049764) resulting in 1 WIA (minor). A patrol was dispatched with negative results.

b. At 292230, CAP F-6 reported that 2 rounds were fired directly behind Hoa Vang District Headquarters. A patrol was dispatched and two Marines from 1st Tank Battalion with one M-14 rifle, recently fired, were apprehended.

# 31 October 1967

From 312130 to 312330, CAP G-2 in conjunction with local police and village officials, conducted a sweep of An My village (BT 043782). Twenty-one detaines, 18 males and 3 females, were apprehended and taken to Danang Garrison.

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