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PART IORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

1st Military Police Battalion

COMMANDER

LtCol B. G. BROWN

1-11Oct68

Maj J. E. DECOURSEY

12-20Oct68

LtCol J. D. BAILEY

21-31Oct68

SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Co

1-31Oct68

1stLt A. B. BENZ

Co "A"

1-31Oct68

Capt R. E. SCHWARTZ

Co "B"

1-31Oct68

Capt B. M. HUEY II

Co "C"

1-31Oct68

Capt R. H. FLAHERTY

Co "D"

1-31Oct68

Capt D. A. CARTER

ATTACHED UNITSCo "C", 3rdMPBn
Detachment, 7thCommBn

1-31Oct68

1stLt J. PINGUET

1-31Oct68

2. Location

1-31Oct68, Danang, RVN

3. Staff Officers

ExecOff

1-11Oct68,
21-31Oct68

Maj J. E. DECOURSEY

S-1/Adj

1-31Oct68

1stLt O. L. HUMGARNER

S-2

1-31Oct68

1stLt H. R. GELFAND

S-3

1-31Oct68

Capt C. N. BIKAKIS

S-4

1-31Oct68

Capt T. D. WILSON

S-5

1-27Oct68

1stLt J. W. JUDGE

28-31Oct68

1stLt S. O. DELAIR

4. Average Monthly Strength

<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
33	671

<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
0	12

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S-1 PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

1. Nine (9) Purple Heart Medals and two (2) Vietnamese Crosses of Gallantry Medals were awarded to members of this command during the reporting period.

2. LOSSES

<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
6	64

<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
0	1

3. REPLACEMENTS

<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
2	20

<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
0	6

4. DISCIPLINE. Seven (7) Special Courts-Martial and two (2) Summary Courts-Martial were convened during the reporting period. Five (5) Battalion Commander NJP's and thirty-four (34) Company Commander NJP's were imposed during the month.

5. STRENGTH

	<u>Effectives</u>				<u>Non-Effectives</u>			
	<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>		<u>USMC</u>		<u>USN</u>	
	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>	<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
H&SCo	15	91	0	0	0	6	0	0
Co "A"	3	82	0	0	0	14	0	0
Co "B"	4	103	0	0	0	12	0	0
Co "C"	3	119	0	0	0	15	0	0
Co "D"	2	104	0	0	0	9	0	0
Co "C", 3rd MPBn	3	96	0	0	0	11	0	0

PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARYS-2 INTELLIGENCE

1. During the month of October, one (1) confirmed VC was captured and turned over to Danang Special Sector for intensive interrogation. In addition, fifty-two (52) individuals were apprehended by battalion operations and patrols. Of these, fifteen (15) were classified as confirmed VC and thirty-three (33) reclassified as civil defendants or innocent civilians.

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Civil defendants fell into the categories of draft dodgers, illegal residents or were in possession of illegal or invalid I. D. cards. The remaining four (4) have yet to be classified. All personnel apprehended were turned over to Danang Special Sector or Hoa Vang Sub-Sector for interrogation and appropriate civil action.

2. The following arms/equipment were discovered by combined search/sweep/probing operations within the Battalion TAOR.

- a. (1) Chicom Grenade
- b. (6) M-26 Fragmentation Grenades
- c. (1) VC Flag
- d. (2) Pistol Belts
- e. Numerous Propaganda Leaflets

3. The following areas were mentioned as enemy objectives within the Danang Vital Area this reporting period.

- a. Danang Airbase remains a priority target due to availability of tactical air support and vulnerability to rocket attack.
- b. Marble Mountain Air Facility remains a prime objective due to its capability of logistical support and movement of troops.
- c. The I Corps Bridge has been mentioned in several reports due to its logistical importance in the I Corps area.
- d. Other targets mentioned were the Cam Le Bridge, Hoa Vang Sub-Sector and I Corps Headquarters.

S-1 OPERATIONS/TRAINING

1. During the reporting period this command participated in numerous small unit operations, but sustained no major contact.

2. The battalion conducted 239 day and night fire team size patrols; 25 day and night squad size patrols; 379 fire team size night ambushes; 475 squad size night ambushes and 14 platoon size operations for a total of 1132 small unit operations during this reporting period.

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3. In addition to the small unit activities, the battalion also conducted 11 company or multi-company size operations.
4. Battalion Officers and SNCO's attended classes conducted on the following subjects or areas of interest: Progress and Future Plans of the 1stMPB; Critique of Far East Airbase Defense Conference; Introductory Remarks and Future Plans by New Battalion Commanding Officer; Tactics, Company in the Defense.
5. Battalion GMS training was conducted in accordance with current directives to include Training by MOS and NCO Leadership training. Some training was cancelled due to operational commitments.
6. One (1) enemy mortar attack was conducted against Danang during this reporting period.

S-4 LOGISTICS

1. Significant Events. Heavy rains during the month caused the following damage:
 - a. Twenty-three (23) bunkers and numerous fighting holes were damaged.
 - b. Company "A" perimeter road was washed away in three places.
 - c. Large holes were washed under Company "A" and "D" perimeter fences.
2. Percentage of Combat Essential Equipment on Hand.

a. Supply	95%
b. Motor Transport	99%
c. Communications	86%

S-5 CIVIL AFFAIRS

1. General
 - a. Six hundred (600) piasters were paid to a boy from My Thi Village in return for an M-26 grenade. Five hundred fifty (550) piasters were paid for one hand flare, one magazine, one complete bandoleer of M-16 ammunition, and one hand grenade.

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On another occasion, one-thousand (1,000) piasters were paid for an M-26 grenade and three clips of 5.56mm ammunition. All of the above occurred in My Thi Village (BTO52749).

b. Ten (10) truck loads of dirt fill were delivered to the Sicovina Textile Factory for the continuing work being done for the completion of their meeting hall.

c. During this reporting period, a reported eight (8) hours was spent on census-taking.

2. Education

a. Twenty-four (24) hours of English instruction were given to students at the Sicovina Textile Factory (BTO11728).

b. Twelve (12) hours of English instruction were given to seven (7) adults at Xaum Hoa High School (AT992778).

c. Sixty-four (64) hours of English instruction were given to students at the Hoa Vang High School (BTO13728).

d. Seventy-two (72) English books and four (4) blackboards were distributed to the students at Hoa Vang High School (BTO13728).

e. Educational Psychological Operations films were presented to an attendance of approximately four hundred (400) people at the Sicovina Textile Factory (BTO11728).

3. Public Health

a. 4,013 patients were treated during MEDCAPS within the 1stMAW's Civic Action TAOR this month.

b. 193 patients were treated during MEDCAPS within NSA's Civic Action TAOR this month.

c. Soap was distributed during all MEDCAPS.

d. 55 toothbrushes, 35 tubes of toothpaste, and 15 combs and brushes were distributed at the MED/DENT/CAPS this month.

e. Continued transportation has been provided to and from the FLC Children's Hospital for parents of patients referred there by this office.

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4. Welfare

a. Self help kits and physical education kits were distributed in Khue Trung IV with the help of Village Chief Van Taun.

b. Masonry and carpenter kits were distributed at Thanh Khe (AT986779).

c. Meetings with Hoa Tho Village Chief led to distribution of three tool kits to help in their reconstruction efforts (BT007722).

d. Company "B", 1st MP Battalion distributed cases of raisins, pineapple, grapefruit juice, and apricots to Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital at FLC.

5. Civic Action Training

a. Psychological Operation films were presented at the Slocovina Textile Factory to approximately 400 people.

b. A total of 5½ hours of personal response instruction was given to 312 members of this battalion.

6. Psychological Operations. During the month the Battalion Civic Action program effected the following distribution within the TAORs:

a. 3,435 Free South Newspapers.

b. 5,018 Reward Leaflets.

c. 130 Chieu Hoi Leaflets.

MEDICAL AND DENTAL1. Battalion Aid Station Chronological Dataa. Significant Events

(1) PMU from FLC held a sanitation inspection this month and discrepancies were submitted to the Commanding Officer for correction.

(2) One Corpsman departed for CONUS and six joined from CONUS this month.

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(3) A total of 3,965 Vietnamese were treated through the Battalion MEDCAP program this month.

b. New Developments. The Battalion Aid Station bunker was partially rebuilt and is in the process of being completed.

c. Problems Encountered

(1) Lack of ventilation and lighting for patients in the BAS bunker.

(2) Lack of emergency electrical power for periods during electrical failure.

2. Military Patient Statistical Data

a. Average daily number of patients seen: 18.

b. Average daily number of patients referred to other facilities for consultations, dental, X-rays and laboratory work: 5.

c. Routine Medical Complaints: Gastroenteritis, and Diarrhea.

d. Significant disease peculiar to the area: None observed.

e. Number of emergency treatments: Combat injury: 0; Lacerations: 10; Burns: 5, and Trauma: 0.

f. Innoculations and prophylactic medications: Innoculations: 222, Malaria prophylaxis: 3,000 tabs.

g. Patients to BAS ward: 0.

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

10Oct68: A 17 year old VCS apprehended on 28 September 1968 was reclassified as a VC.

At 012100H Company "B", 1st MP Battalion with elements of the 106th RF Company apprehended (2) male VCS. Both suspects were interrogated by 5th CIT before being turned over to Danang Special Sector for detailed interrogation.

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30Oct68: At 032046H Company "C", 3rd MP Battalion Attached reported the I Corps Bridge was receiving small arms fire from a position 200 meters southeast of the bridge. Fire was returned and an immediate search of the area made. Negative results were reported.

50Oct68: At 052320H Company "B", 1st MP Battalion reported that East Danang was receiving incoming mortar fire as follows: (4) rounds in the hamlet of Khue Bac (BT058720), no casualty report. (7) rounds in Camp Falkner; (3) WIA's, (1) serious and (2) minor. One round penetrated the Officer's Club overhead. Reported coordinates of mortar firing position was (BT062711).

90Oct68: At 090600H Company "C", 1st MP Battalion with the 1st MAW Reserve Company, (1) platoon Maintenance Battalion, a detachment from 5th CIT, (2) platoons PF and (2) platoons National Police provided by Hoa Vang conducted a combined search operation in "Dogpatch" (AT9974 and AT9975). (1) VCS and (8) illegal residents were apprehended.

100Oct68: At 100654H Company "C", 3rd MP Battalion Attached with elements of the 789th and 106th RF Companies conducted a combined sweep/probing operation in the vicinity of (BT046755). (1) M-26 fragmentation grenade was found and destroyed and (1) VCS was apprehended. The suspect was turned over to the 106th RF Company for interrogation.

110Oct68: At 11 0830H (1) platoon from Company "C", 1st MP Battalion and (1) reaction platoon from Maintenance Battalion supported a combined search/sweep operation in Grid Squares (BT0577 and BT0578). The operation was conducted by 3rd District Headquarters and Danang Special Sector. (5) M-26 fragmentation grenades and (2) pistol bolts were found. (9) VCS were apprehended during the operation and taken to Danang Special Sector for interrogation.

120Oct68: Between 122100H and 122200H, patrols from Company "C", 3rd MP Battalion Attached apprehended (4) VCS in the village of An Trung (BT046772). Suspects were turned over to the 106th RF Company for transportation to Danang Special Sector.

170Oct68: At 172200H Company "B", 1st MP Battalion apprehended (1) VCS in the hamlet of My Thi (BT054743). Suspect was recognized by Company "B" personnel who remembered him from a previous activity. The VCS was turned over to 5th CIT for interrogation and it was determined that he was a VC Tax Collector. The VC is being held by 5th CIT for further interrogation.

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20Oct68: At 200600H Company "B", 1st MP Battalion apprehended (2) VCS in the hamlet of My Thi (BT054743). The suspects were apprehended after being pointed out by the VC Tax Collector in 17Oct68 report. The suspects were turned over to 5th CIT for interrogation and later taken to Danang Special Sector.

21Oct68: At approximately 211300H Company "B", 1st MP Battalion apprehended (2) VCS in the hamlets of My Da (BT052748) and My Thi (BT054743). These suspects were apprehended as a result of information received from confirmed VC apprehended several days earlier. They were taken to Danang Special Sector for questioning.

22Oct68: The (2) VCS apprehended in My Da and My Thi on 21 October 1968 were reclassified as confirmed VC.

At 220900H Company "B", 1st MP Battalion with elements of the 106th RF Company conducted combined search/sweep operations in the hamlets of My Thi (BT054743) and Khue Bac (BT058720). (2) VCS were apprehended in My Thi and turned over to the 106th RF Company for interrogation.

23Oct68: At 231600H Company "B", 1st MP Battalion reported a total of five (5) VCS were apprehended in the hamlet of My Thi (BT054743) by daylight patrols. Suspects were interrogated by 5th CIT and (1) VCS was turned over to Danang Special Sector for further questioning. The other (4) were classified as innocent civilians and released.

26Oct68: At 260030H Company "B", 1st MP Battalion apprehended (1) VCS in the hamlet of My Thi (BT054743). Suspect was interrogated by 5th CIT and 11th ITT and is presently being held by 5th CIT for further questioning.

30Oct68: At 300630H Company "B", 1st MP Battalion with 3rd MP Battalion, 5th CIT, (1) platoon III MAF Security Forces, (1) platoon Company "A", 1st MP Battalion, (1) platoon H&S Company, 1st MP Battalion, (1) platoon Maintenance Battalion and a combined force of PF, PFF and National Police provided by Danang Special Sector and 3rd District Headquarters conducted a combined search/sweep operation in the vicinity of (BT0782). Two (2) VCS and one (1) VC were apprehended in the operation area and one (1) VC was apprehended outside the operation area. The VC and VCS were turned over to Danang Special Sector for interrogation.

31Oct68: At 311300H Company "B", 1st MP Battalion patrols apprehended two (2) female VCS in the hamlet of My Thi (BT054743). Suspects were turned over to 5th CIT for interrogation.

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