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To: Commanding General, Force Logistic Command, (Attn: Staff Secretary)

Subj: Command Chronology for period 1 to 30 November 1968

Ref: (a) FLCO 5750.1A

Encl: (1) 1st Military Police Battalion Command Chronology

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

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PART IORGANIZATIONAL DATA1. DESIGNATION

1st Military Police Battalion

COMMANDERLtCol J. D. BAILEY
1-30Nov68SUBORDINATE UNITS

H&S Co

1-30Nov68

1stLt G. C. BRYANT

Co "A"

1-30Nov68

Capt R. E. SCHWARTZ

Co "B"

1-30Nov68

Capt B. M. HUEY II

Co "C"

1-30Nov68

Capt R. H. FLAHERTY

Co "D"

1-30Nov68

Capt D. A. CARTER

ATTACHED UNITS

Co "C", 3rdMPBn

1-30Nov68

1stLt J. PINGUET

Detachment, 7thCommBn

1-30Nov68

2. Location

1-30Nov68, Danang, RVN

3. Staff Officers

ExecOff

1-30Nov68

Maj J. E. DECOURSEY

S-1/Adj

1-30Nov68

1stLt D. R. FARRINGTON

S-2

1-30Nov68

1stLt H. R. GELFAND

S-3

1-30Nov68

Maj C. N. BIKAKIS

S-4

1-15Nov68

Maj T. D. WILSON

S-5

16-30Nov68

Capt J. H. HANSON

1-30Nov68

1stLt S. O. DELAIR

4. Average Monthly Strength

<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
30	656

<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
1	12

S-1 PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

1. Five (5) Bronze Star Medals (w/combat "V"), two (2) Navy Commendation Medals, one (1) Navy Achievement Medal and nine (9) Purple Heart Medals were awarded to members of this organization during the reporting period.

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2. LOSSES

<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
4	50

<u>USN</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
1	3

3. REPLACEMENTS

<u>USMC</u>	
<u>OFF</u>	<u>ENL</u>
3	44

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

4. DISCIPLINE: Three (3) Special Courts-Martial, two (2) Summary Courts-Martial, seven (7) Battalion Commander NJP's and twenty-seven (27) Company Commander NJP's were conducted 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	13	94	1	12	1	6	0	0
Co "A"	3	91	0	0	1	4	0	0
Co "B"	4	117	0	0	0	6	0	0
Co "C"	3	132	0	0	0	11	0	0
Co "D"	4	114	0	0	7	9	0	0
Co "C", 3rdMPBn	3	108	0	0	0	9	0	0

PART IINARRATIVE SUMMARYS-2 INTELLIGENCE

1. During the month of November, one (1) confirmed VC was captured on the Cam Le Bridge with 1½ pounds of C-4 and time fuses concealed on his motorbike and turned over to Hoa Vang Sub-sector for intensive interrogation. In addition, thirty five (35) individuals were apprehended by battalion operations and patrols. Of these, seven (7) were classified as confirmed VC and twenty three (23) reclassified as civil defendants or innocent civilians. Civil defendants fall into the categories of draft dodgers, illegal residents or were in possession of illegal or invalid ID cards. The remaining four (4) have yet to be classified. All personnel apprehended were turned over to Danang Special Sector, Hoa Vang Sub-Sector, or 5th CIT for interrogation and appropriate civil action.

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

- a. (1) Cartridge belt.
- b. (3) Chi-Com grenades.
- c. (2) 9mm Pistol magazines.
- d. (1) Holster.

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. Other targets mentioned were the Cam Le Bridge, Hoa Vang Sub-Sector and I Corps Headquarters.

S-3 OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

- 1. During the reporting period this command participated in numerous small unit operations, but sustained no major contact.
- 2. The battalion conducted 366 day and night fireteam size patrols; 11 day and night squad size patrols; 588 fireteam size night ambushes; 197 squad size night ambushes and 26 platoon size operations for a total of 1182 small unit operations during this reporting period.
- 3. In addition to the small unit activities, the battalion also conducted 8 company or multi-company size operations.
- 4. Battalion Officer's and SNCO's attended classes conducted on the following subjects or areas of interest: Communications Procedures; Area Intelligence Summary; Viet Cong Tactics; and Administration Procedures.
- 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. Six (6) enemy rocket attacks and one (1) enemy mortar attack were conducted against Danang during this reporting period.

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7. A troop orientation class for 40 newly joined personnel was conducted on 25 November 1968.

S-4 LOGISTICS

1. Significant Events

a. Major T. D. WILSON was transferred to the 1st Marine Division and Captain J. H. HANSON was joined and assumed the duties as the Battalion S-4 Officer.

b. On 29 November the Battalion received eight (8) new MRC-109 vehicles.

c. The BAS bunker is being constructed and is nearing completion.

2. Percentage of Combat Essential Equipment on Hand

a. Supply 97%

b. Motor Transport 98%

c. Communications 91%

S-5 CIVIL AFFAIRS

1. General

a. The meeting hall that was being built by the members of the Sioovina Textile Factory and the Hoa Tho villagers (BTO14725), has been completed and was recently dedicated by a ceremony whose attendance included U.S. Armed Force joint contributors in the project, Major Hao from Hoa Vang District, the Quang Nam Province Chief, and President Thieu's labor representative from Saigon. The ceremony included an ARVN honor guard, musical entertainment by the Sioovina Textile Factory employees, and guest speakers who expressed much enthusiasm and appreciation of the work done on the meeting hall and for the contributing aid.

b. In completing the meeting hall, prior to the dedication ceremony, twenty five (25) gallons of paint and fifty five (55) bags of cement were delivered to the members in charge of the project.

c. Two hundred (200) piasters were paid to a boy who found and turned in one M-79 round in My Thi village (BTO52794).

d. One thousand (1000) piasters were paid to a boy who directed the location and finding of three Chi-Com grenades in My Thi village (BTO52794).

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e. A vegetable garden project has begun in Thanh Khe Hai (AT989779) by a Vietnamese farmer there. He has been supplied with fertilizer, seed, and watering cans in hopes that he will see rapid results and thus enhancing the desire of other Vietnamese to follow in his steps.

2. Education

a. Eight (8) hours of English instruction were given to five (5) adults at Xaun High School (AT992778).

b. Fifty four (54) hours of English instruction were given to eight hundred and forty seven (847) students at Hoa Vang High School.

3. Public Health

a. 3,850 patients were treated during MEDCAPS within the 1st Marine Air Wing's Civic Action TAOR this month.

b. 93 patients were treated during MEDCAPS within Naval Support Activity's Civic Action TAOR this month.

c. 70 toothbrushes, 70 tubes of toothpaste, and 70 bars of soap were distributed to the 40 people treated at a MEDCAP held at Hoa Tho village headquarters (BTO04721).

d. 30 toothbrushes, 30 tubes of toothpaste, and 30 bars of soap were distributed to the 30 people treated at a MEDCAP held at Cam Le Bridge (BTO15718).

e. Vitamin pills were distributed to all the people treated in c. and d. above.

f. A total of three (3) adults and eighteen (18) children were evacuated to the Force Logistic Command Hospital from My Thi village (BTO54744) including My Thi's Village Chief because of his case of terminal tuberculosis.

g. Two (2) children were evacuated to FLC's Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital from Khue Trung I (BTO15728) because of illness.

h. One (1) child was evacuated to the 1st MPBn Aid Station from Khue Trung IV (BTO35740) because of facial lacerations received from an attacking dog.

i. One (1) child was evacuated to FLC's Hoa Khanh Children's Hospital from Cam Le Bridge (BTO15718) because of illness.

j. One (1) woman was evacuated to Naval Support Activity's Hospital from An Thuong (BTO46756) because of illness.

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4. Welfare

- a. During this reporting period 10 lbs of food, 20 meals fed, 15 lbs of clothing, and 10 lbs of soap were issued to My Thi village.
- b. During this reporting period 40 lbs of food, 60 meals fed, were distributed to FLC's Children's Hospital.
- c. During this reporting period 10 lbs of food was issued to Khue Bac village.
- d. A foundation of a Vietnamese home was rebuilt in My Thi village after being destroyed by torrential rains.
- e. Road improvement was done at My Thi village (BT053744).

5. Civic Action Training

- a. The Civil Affairs Officer gave Personal Response instruction in the Battalion Orientation Classes which are held for all newly joined personnel.
- b. A total of five and one half (5½) hours of personal response instruction was given to 258 members of this battalion.

PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS

1. 2,550 reward leaflets, 2,575 Chieu Hoi leaflets, 1,250 "Denounce VC Cadre" leaflets and 1,200 "Tell Us Who the VC Are" leaflets were distributed throughout the TAOR this month.
2. 5 Health and Sanitation booklets, 3 "Day My Quoc" booklets and 3 "Doi Thoi" booklets were distributed throughout the TAOR this month.

MEDICAL AND DENTAL

1. Battalion Aid Station Chronological Data

a. Significant Events:

(1) The Commanding Officer held a Personnel inspection on 4 November and a Material inspection on 5 November. BAS was found to be satisfactory.

(2) A total of 3,943 Vietnamese were treated through the Battalion MEDCAP program during the month.

(3) Three (3) Corpsman departed for CONUS and one (1) joined from CONUS this month.

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b. New Developments:

- (1) The Battalion Aid bunker was completed this month,
- (2) A new Medical bunker was started this month and is nearing completion.

c. Problems Encountered: Lack of emergency electricity.

2. Military Patient Statistical Data:

- a. Average daily number of patients seen: 20
- b. Average daily number of patients referred to other treating facilities for consultations, dental, X-ray, and laboratory work: 5
- c. Routine Medical Complaints: Diarrhea and Sore throat
- d. Significant disease peculiar to the area: Amebiasis
- e. Number of emergency treatments: Combat injury: 0; Lacerations: 10; Burns: 2; and Trauma: 0
- f. Innoculations and prophylactic medications: Innoculations: 324; Malaria prophylaxis: 3500 tabs
- g. Patients admitted to BAS Ward: 0

SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

3 November 1968: At 030001H an ambush from "B" Company, 1st MP Battalion apprehended one (1) VCS in My Thi (BTO54743). Suspect was turned over to the 106th RF Company for interrogation.

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4 November 1968: At 040930H Company "B", 1st MP Battalion picked up one (1) female VCS in My Thi (BTO54743). Suspect was turned over to the National Police for interrogation.

At 041500H a combined patrol from Company "B", 1st MP Battalion and the 106th RF Company, apprehended six (6) female VCS in the hamlet of Da Me (BTO54728). Suspects were turned over to Danang Special Sector for interrogation where it was learned that five (5) were confirmed VC Commo liaison personnel.

8 November 1968: At 082300H Company "C", 3rd MP Battalion Attached apprehended two (2) VCS in An Trung hamlet (BTO47762). Suspects were turned over to 5th CIT for interrogation.

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10 November 1968: At 102000H an ambush from Company "B", 1st MP Battalion apprehended seven (7) male VCS as they came ashore from a fishing boat at (BT117818). The VCS were turned over to 5th CIT for interrogation.

11 November 1968: At 111000H Company "B", 1st MP Battalion recovered the following equipment while on a daylight patrol in the hamlet of My Da (BT051744). One (1) cartridge belt; three (3) Chi-Com grenades; two (2) 9mm pistol magazines w/ammo and one (1) holster. A small Vietnamese boy gave the patrol information as to the location of the recovered equipment.

12 November 1968: At 121155H Company "D", 1st MP Battalion captured one (1) VC attempting to cross the Cam Le Bridge (BT016716) carrying C-4 explosive under the seat of a bicycle. Suspect was interrogated by Battalion S-2 and then turned over to Hoa Vay Sub-Sector for further interrogation.

17 November 1968: At 170110H eight (8) unknown size rockets impacted at NSA Deep Water Pier resulting in four (4) KIA and sixteen (16) WIA. One (1) of the rounds scored a direct hit on Pier #2 causing negative damage.

At 170455H three (3) 122mm rockets impacted at the Danang Air Base vicinity of (AT998763) and (BT009758). No casualties or damage were reported.

20 November 1968: At 200015H twelve (12) 122mm rockets impacted in East Danang at the following locations: seven (7) rounds in the ARVN ammo dump (across from III MAF) resulting in (4) KIA and (1) WIA; five (5) rounds in covered storage area (across from III MAF) resulting in no casualties and minor damage to reefer bunker #5, the ice plant and C-rations Open Storage Area.

At 200040H approximately twenty three (23) mortars impacted in East Danang at the following locations: approximately twenty (20) rounds at MAG-16 resulting in six (6) WIA and undetermined damage to six (6) helos and three (3) rounds on the NSA Hospital Landing Pad resulting in no casualties or damage.

21 November 1968: At 210800H Company "B", 1st MP Battalion with elements of the 106th RF Company, 5th CIT and 11th ITT conducted a combined sweep operation in the hamlet of Khue Bac (BT058720). One (1) female VCS was apprehended and turned over to the 11th ITT for interrogation.

22 November 1968: At 220225H two (2) 122mm rockets impacted in the north west perimeter of the Danang Air Base. One (1) at (AT998755) and one (1) at (AT996766). No casualties or damage were reported.

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23 November 1968: At 231030H Company "C", 1st MP Battalion perimeter defense personnel apprehended one (1) male VCS who was loitering outside of post #7. The suspect was turned over to Hoa Vang Sub-Sector for investigation.

24 November 1968: At 242315H fourteen (14) 122mm rockets impacted on Danang Air Base. No casualties were reported and the ARVN halo-pad sustained minor damage.

At 242315H two (2) unknown size rockets impacted in the vicinity of (BTO28733) causing two (2) RF casualties.

25 November 1968: At 250109H approximately twenty (20) 122mm rockets impacted in East Danang. Twelve (12) impacted in MAC-16, no casualties or damage was reported. Seven to nine (7-9) impacted in 5th Special Forces resulting in one (1) WIA (VN) and one (1) barracks destroyed.

26 November 1968: At 261020H a Company "D" patrol apprehended one (1) VCS at coordinates (BTO30714). Suspect was interrogated by Battalion S-2 and then turned over to Hoa Vang Sub-Sector for further interrogation.

27 November 1968: At 270640H Company "C", 3rd MP Battalion Attached with elements of the 134th RF Company commenced a combined search/sweep operation in An Trung hamlet (BTO46772). One (1) VCS was apprehended and turned over to the 134th RF Company for interrogation.

28 November 1968: At 282100H a combined patrol of personnel from Company "B", 1st MP Battalion and 106th RF Company, apprehended a VCS whose name is on the CIT Black List in the hamlet of Khue Bac (BTO58720). Suspect was taken to the 106th RF Company CP for initial interrogation.

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