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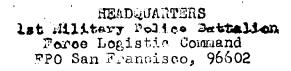
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COMMAND CHRONOLOGY

1Apr69 to 30Apr69

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PART I

ORGANIZATIONAL DATA

1. DESIGNATION

1st Military Police Battalion

COMMANDER
LtCol J. D. SAILEY
1-30Apr69

SUBORDINATE UNITS

| H&S Co | 1-30Apr69 | Capt C. C. BAYANT |
|--------|-----------|---------------------|
| Co "A" | 1-30Apr69 | Capt R. E. SCHWARTZ |
| Co "3" | 1-30Apr69 | Capt J. H. HANSON |
| Co "C" | 1-30Apr69 | 1stLt R. C. HADDIX |
| Co "D" | 1-30Apr69 | lstLt D. M. TENNANT |

ATTACHED UNITS

| Co "C", 3rdMP3n Detachment, 7th CommBn | 130Apr69 130Apr69 | lstLt | \$. | T. | MIKULA |
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2. LOCATION 1-30Apr69, Danang, RVN

3. STAFF OFFICERS

| ExecOff | 1-30Apr69 | Maj C. N. BIKARIS |
|------------|-----------|------------------------|
| S-1/Adj | 1-30Apr69 | IstLt D. R. FARRINGTON |
| S-2 | 1-30Apr69 | lstLt G. E. KESTON |
| S-3 | 1-30Apr69 | Maj R. A. FLAHERTY |
| S-4 | 1-30Apr69 | lstLt M. J. KRLLY |
| s-4 s-5 | 1-30Apr69 | 1stLt S.O. DELAIR |

4. AVERAGE MONTHLY STRENGTH

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S-1 PERSONNEL AND ADMINISTRATION

1. One (1) Bronze Star Medal and one Gold Star in lieu of second Bronze Star Medal were awarded to a member of this command during the reporting period.

2. LOSSES



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3. REPLACEMENTS

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4. DISCIPLINE. Three (3) Special Courts-Martials were convened during the reporting period. Ten (10) Battalion Commander's NJP's and twenty-three (23) Company Commander's NJP's were imposed during the month.

5. STRENGTH

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PART II

NARRATIVE SUMMARY

S-2 INTELLIGENCE

- 1. During the month of April, one (1) confirmed VC was captured and subsequently turned over to 5th CIT for intensive interrogation. In addition 13 VCS were apprehended through Battalion operations and routine patrols. After interrogation they were reclassified as innocent civilians or civil defendents. The latter fell into categories of draft dodgers, deserters, illegal residents, and possesors of illegal or invalid identification materials. The following arms/equipment were captured:
 - a. (7) 3-40 Rockets
 - b. (3) Chicom Gronados
 - o. (1) M-26 Gronade
 - d. (5) 60mm Mortar Rounds
 - e. (2) 2.75 Rooket Motors
 - f. (48) Blasting Caps

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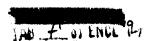
- g. (1) M60 Machinegun Barrel
- h. (1) Pair Wirecuttors
- i. (1) VC Flag
- J. Assorted Propaganda Loaflets
- 2. Numerous intelligence reports during April, strongly indicate the enemy's intention to launch ground/rocket attacks on allied positions in the vicinity of Da Nang during May, some of which will take place in commencration of the communist holidays. At this time, concerns is that the attacks will take place during the period of reduced visibility near Ho Chi Minh's birthday (19 May). These attacks are to be co-ordinated with infrastructure elements within the city so as to form the manifostation of a "general uprising",
- 3. The following arous are the reported targets for such attacks:
 - a. Marble Mountain Air Facility/NSA Hospital/Pow Compound
 - b. Danang Air Base
 - c. Sicovina Textile Factory
 - d. I Corps Headquarters
 - e. Danang City

As in provious months a volume of reports was received indicating that numerous sapper groups have infiltrated into the city for the purpose of assassination of officials, and the promotion of unrest among the various groups of people by terrorist methods.

4. As a result of the ASP # 1, fire of 27 April 1969, a great deal of ordnance was distributed around the adjacent areas. Since a large amount of that ordnance was found in friendly areas it is reasonable to assume that an equivalent amount is now in the hands of unfriendlies. It is therefore expected that increased "booby-trapping" activity will be seen in the Danang area.

S-3 OPERATIONS AND TRAINING

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



- 2. The Battalion conducted 356 fireteam size day and night patrols, 20 day and night squad size patrols, 163 night fireteam size ambushes, 408 night squad size ambushes, and 4 platoon size operations for a total of 953 small unit operations during the reporting period.
- 3. In addition to the small unit activities the Battalion also conducted three (3) company or multi-company size operations.
- 4. Battalion Officers and Staff Non Commissioned Officers attended classes conducted on the following subjects or areas of interest: Sentry/Scout Dog Demonstration; Briefing on 5th CIT; Air Force CAS; Education/Motor Transport Operations and an Intelligence Briefing.
- 5. Battalion GMS Training was conducted in accordance with current directives to include training by MOS and NCO Loadership Training. Some training was canecalled due tooperational commitments.
- 6. A Troop Indoctrination class was conducted on 11 April 1969, for all newly joined Marines of this Battalion.
- 7. Four (4) enemy rocket attacks were conducted against Danang Vital Area Complex during this reporting period.

S-4 LOGISTICS

1. Significant Events

- a. SSgt T. STEPHENS, reported to 1st Military Police Battalion Hoadquarters for duty as S-4 Chief, replacing SSgt R. E. NELSON, reassigned.
- b. SSgt L. DICKSON, completed Embabkation School at Camp Butler, Okinawa, and was assigned as Embarkation NCO, 1st Military Police Battalic.
- c. On 27-28 April 1969, the Battalion area received considerable damage when ASP # 1, on the west edge of Danang Air Base, caught fire and burned. Especially damaged were the Messhall, three supply buildings, one living quarters no r the Messhall and the heavy vehicle repair shop in the motor poel. Most of the buildings were repaired by the Battalion except for the living quarters and the heavy vehicle repair shop which required engineer assistance. Most buildings in the area suffered blown out screens and other minor damage.
- d. Three (3) new SEA huts were constructed in the Battalion area. One hut is serving as the Battalion Chapel, one as office space and one as living quarters.

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2. Percentage of Combat Essentia Equipment on Hand

- a. Supply 96%
- b. Motor Transport 94%
- c. Communications 93%

S-5 CIVIL AFFAIRS

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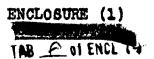
- a. Ten (10) sheets of tin were delivered to Hoa The Village aiding in the construction of the new Hoadquarters Building (BT-004727)
- b. Four hundred (100) sandbare and three (3) rolls of concerting wire were given to the Entional Police Headquarters in Xaum Hoa I (5T999779).
- e. Fifteen (15) beams of lumber were delivered to the Sicovina Textile Factory for the repair of a building (BT014725).
- d. Fifteen (15) sheets of tin were given for the repair of An Thuong Villago School House (3TOh8762).
- o. Fivo (5) bags of coment were delivered to Cam Bac Grammar School in the completion of the roof being repaired (37048-762).

2. Education

- a. One (1) blackboard, thirty-six (36) notebooks, and thirty-six (36) pencils were given to the "Head Start" School in Da Mo (37044729).
- b. "C" Company, is continuing work in conjunction with NSA VAT # 11 teaching English five (5) afternoons a week at National Police Headquarters (AT992779).
- c. One handred and fourteen (114) hours of English instruction were given to three thousand five hundred six (3,506) students at Hoa Vang High School (BTO13728).

3. Public Health

a. One thousand two hundred seventy eight (1,278) patients were treated during Med-Caps within 1st Marine Air Wing Civic Action Area of Responsibility this reporting period.



- b. One thousand two hundred twonty (1,220) patients were treated during Med-Caps within NSA's Civic Action Area of Responsibility this reporting period.
- c. Soap was distributed at many of the Med-Caps during this reporting period.
- 4. Welfare. None
- 5. Civic Action Tenining
- a. A total of six (6) hours of Personal Response Instruction was given to three hundred eighty four (384) members of the Bat-talion during the month of April.
- b. The Civil Affirm Officer wave Personal Response Instruction in the Battalica and Affirm the which was held for all newly arrived persons.

PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS

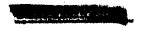
- 1. K: 196 VC Toward language distributed throughtout the TAOR this reporting period.
- 2. 2,695 VC Weapons Roward Loaflots distributed throughout the TAOR this reporting period.
- 3. 3000 Chieu Hoi Leaflets distributed throughout the TAOR this reporting period.
- 4. 1,640 "Denounce the VC Cadre" Leaflets distributed thoughout the TAOR this reporting period.
- 5. 635 "Tell Us Who the VC Are" loaflets distributed throughout the TAOR this reporting period.
- 6. 20 Historical Posters distributed throughout the TAOR this reporting period.

MEDICAL AND DENTAL

- 1. Battalion Aid Station Chronological Data
 - a. Significant Events
- (1) During the month of April, there were no Marine easualties due to hostile fire.

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- (2) A total of 2,698 Vietnamese were treated thru the Battalien Med-Cap Program.
- (3) The explosion of ASP # 1, caused damage to all buildings and bunker.
 - b. Now Dovolormonts
- (1) Except for sandbagging, including blast walls, the modical bunker is complete.
 - c. Problems Encountered
- (1) Extensive repeals of inside of sick bay buildings and bunker were necessary due to the explosion of ASP # 1.
- (2) Lack of respective for the equalties still exists as a problem
- (3) Emorgon Associated a power causes deterioration of vaccines and inadequate objects and inadequate objects.
- 2. Military Patient & Military Patient
 - a. Average daily number of patients soon: 15.
- b. Avorago daily number of patients referred to other facilities for consultations, dental, x-ray and laboratory work: 4.
 - c. Routine medical complaints: Diarrhoa and sore throat.
 - d. Significant disease peculiar to area: Nono.
- e. Number of emergency treatments: combat injury: 0; lacerations: 0; kurns: 2; and trauma: 0.
- f. Innoculations and p. phylactic medications: innoculations: 425; Ralaria prophylamis: 3,500.
 - g. Patients admitted to BAS Ward: 0.



PART III

SEQUENTIAL LISTING OF SIGNIFICANT EVENTS

ZABRIL 1969: At 020600H, Company "A", 1st MP Battalion with one (1) plateon from the 106th RF Company, 5th CIT, and Mational Police from Hea Vang Sub-Sector, conducted a combined search/sweep in the hamles of Chua Ong (BT022732). Two (2) VCS (female) were apprehended and after interrogation by 5th CIT, were turned over to Hea Vang Sub-Sector for further interrogation. At 022345H, Company 1 1st MP Battalion, reported that about ten (10) to fifteen (1) rounds of friendly artillery impacted in the vicinity of Battalion, 190731.

6 April 1969: At 161.200H, company 0 of the 3rd HP Battalion attached to lat HP Battalica continued a platoon size sweep of 4n Thuong village (BT 0.7752). At 061500 the sweep secured with negative results.

9 April 1969: At 0:1300H sontries at Gaso #6 (2f 012734)
apprehended three (3, Tide namese (two filter) 1 civilian) trying
to ember the base with a proper identification. They were
interregated by the Batterion S-2 and then surned over to
Violances approxities of further action.

20 April 1969: At 10003000, but another of MSA scentity at Camp Cartor tringed a moby trap of 37 065710 resulting in one (1) friendly WIA (Evac).

11 April 1969: At 110630H, one (1) plateon from Company A 1st the Battalion with 105th EF Compant personnel conducted a combined search/sweep operation in Ap Son (2) hamlet (37 035737). One VOS was apprehended and turned ever to the 106th EF Company for interrogation. At 111705H, Company a 1st we Battalion reported that an M-24 (remains the the tide of an army 6x6 truck at BT 057763 resulting in three (3) Army WIA (two minor, one serious).

13 April 1969: At 130535H, Company B 1st MP Battalion with six (6) companies of Vietnames Forces, one platoon from Company C 3rd MP Battalion, one platoon from 5th Comm Battalion, one platoon from Miss Company 1st MP Battalion conducted a combined search/sweep operation in Da Mang Bast in the vicinity of III Med. One handred (100) Vietnamese were apprehended and detained by the Vietnamese forces. Three (3) carbines, one (1) SKS, and one (1) .38 Cal. S & W were captured and retained by the Vietnamese forces. Also found were nineteen (19) draft dedgers, thirteen (13) illegal residents, twenty four (24) UA ARVM's, and tairteen (13) forged papers. Secured at 130930H.

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16 April 1969: At 162324H, throo (3) rocket rounds impacted at BT043757, BT 035767, and BT 037773. No damage or casualties reported.

17 April 1969: At 170015H, two (2) rocket rounds impacted at 3T 012771 and 3T 017758. The first landed on the North perimeter of the Air Base exploding on an empty POL tank. The second impacted in the VAAF Housing Area resulting in six (6) WIA's.

At 171030H, one (1) plateon of Company B 1st MP Battalion conducted a combined search sweep operation at 31 065711 checking caves in the area and respecting them with CS agent. One (1) m-26 greened booby trap was uncovered and destroyed. At 171400H, One (1) squad of Company B 1st MP Battalion searched 200 m. of Song Here giver bank bordering My Thi hamlet (31 049745) and uncovered 48 blasting caps in the water's edge.

20 April 1969: At 201945: twenty (20) rocket rounds impacted in East Da Nang at the following coordinates: BT 058737, BT 056753, BT 065735. BT 059747, BT 064755.

Four rounds impacted at BB-12 with five (5) USN WIA Two rounds impacted at the Group with negative results Twelve rounds impacted at MAG-16 with two (2) USMC KIA's thirty four WIA's (evacuated) twelve WIA's (minor)

One round impacted at Camp Carter with notative results One round impacted at 5th Comm Sattalion with negative results. At 202305H, three (3) rocket rounds impacted at the following coordinates: AT 995746, AT 990738, BT 005736. One round impacted at MUSC-17 destroying one (1) aircraft engine One round impacted at ASP #1 with damage to a revoluent One round impacted at 1st r W asmo dump with negative results.

23 April 1969: At 230900H, Tompany D 1st AP Battalion conducted a platoon size search/amoop operation at BT 014714. Four (4) VCS were apprehended and turned over to 5th CIT.

24 April 1969: At 240115H, two (2) rocket rounds impacted at 3T 005735 and AT 999739. One round impacted at the Air Force bomb damp and one round impacted on the Perimeter Road to the rear of Post #9, both with negative results.

27 April 1969: At 271.50H, ASP #1 (AT 988733) caught fire causing the explosion of an undetermined a ount of ordnance. One plateon from Company C 1st AP Battalian was disputened to the scene to evacuate the Vietnamese civilians of Hoa Phat village (AT 995736) to Binh Thai village (BT 002722). At 271450H, the ARVN bomb dump (BT 003735) was reported to be on fire. At 271520H, the napalm bomb dump (BT 00274H) was reported to

At 271520H, the napalm bomb dump (BF 002744) was reported to be on fire.

At 271810H, How Phat village (AT 994746) was reported to be on fire.

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At 271810H, fire was reported at the Southeast corner of the Air Base in the vicinity of ET 015738.

Fire units from iMSC-17 brought all fires under control.

Results: Almost complete destruction of hamlets Then Dong Phuoc (AT 009832). Cong Ty Nghe (AT 999729) and Bong. Vai Viet Nam (BT 002728) alight damage to hamlet of Then Phuoc Tuong (AT 992746) Slight to moderate damage to MAG-11, Maintainence Battalion, 1st FSA, 1st AP Battalion, and USAF contenent areas on west side of Air Base. Complete destruction of Freedom Hill Exchange, library, bowling alley, USO and Red Cross Centers, 103-5 contonment area, 70% destruction to R & R transient center, and heavy damage to the RAM compound. The only casualty reposted were 1 civilian WIA (concussion) evacuated to 1st Medical Battalion and 1 USAC WIA (concussion) evacuated to MSA Mospital

30 April 1969: At 300500h a Platoon of Company B conducted a combined search/sweep of ration on My Thi (BT 053743) resulting in 3 VCS (1 con amed), 7 B-40 rockets, 1 pair of wire cutters, 3 Chicom (1 mades, 1 VC flags, 1 M-60 barrel, and propaganda leaflite. At 300800H Company D conducted a search/sweep operation (2007). Then Binh Thai (BT 0022719). Five (5) 60mm dads and two (3) 2.75 rocket motors were captured.

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1. NONE

ENCLOSURE (1)

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